

Hot off The Press

News from Peter and Kay Goodchild at
Emmanuel Press in South Africa



Well, here we are! Back home in England and beginning to feel that our chapter of South African living is concluded. It will take a while for us to adjust to the sense of being more permanently here, rather than there. We return to 'base' with a certain confidence that we've done what Father called us to do and thank Him that many souls

have been blessed, taught and encouraged during our shift at Emmanuel Press. Now the baton has been passed, the work goes forward and fresh faith and vision will bring great blessings.

Less than a week ago we left the EP offices White River, took the shuttle bus to Jo'burg, and boarded an Airbus A380, arriving at Heathrow for an early 5.30am safe landing on Wednesday 27th. We were met by David who sped us home whereupon we gratefully 'collapsed' before unpacking, and made a 'flying' visit to family, including a grandson's birthday hug.

The last six years have seen so many changes for so many of us. Apart from many global changes, life has moved on and we are all a little bit older. Some precious friends and relatives have 'gone to be with The Lord' and we cannot forget these dear ones easily. As we reflect and consider, we are surely grateful for so many friends who have become special and precious even during these recent years.



*Handing on the baton to France
~22nd September 2023~*



*The birthday girl cutting her cake
in the office*

With firm persuasion from our home church and family, we will take some weeks to unwind, debrief and adjust to being at home as we prayerfully consider the chapter ahead. Many of those little jobs around the house that had to wait will soon be on the 'to do' list as we gently reacclimatise to life here. We have expressed thanks to our regular supporters and shared something of our expectations for the future which is still coming in to view. But, suffice to say, this will be the final issue of Hot Off The Press, marking the closing of the final chapter of our great African adventure.

As to the future, some of you have already expressed an interest in continuing to stand with us, and we want to keep you up to date with developments as they take place. As we have already indicated, we shall continue to be involved with EP from afar and who knows, we may yet visit White River again. We plan to be visiting churches bringing updates of the work, and encourage ongoing support as God uses the ministry to bless many churches and individuals not only across South Africa, but across the continent of Africa and beyond.

Thank you for being part of our lives, and thanks for praying for us over the years. It has been an amazing journey with God as we have walked in the strength of His Word and His promises. This Christian life is real and relevant to so much of today's fast changing world. We have been discovering and proving that God's Word really works wonders. As we say on the EP website; "God says you are special... he wrote a book about it all" and it's simply amazing to discover His plans and truly live life. There is nothing that this world has to offer that can compare with knowing Jesus Christ... and this is literally never ending... forever!

God bless you and we hope to hear from you soon,

Peter & Kay

If you would like to stay in touch and continue to stand with us in prayer and in friendship, please do write us an email at peter@goodchilds.co.uk or kay@goodchilds.co.uk. Please do not use our old EP email addresses, thanks.



With special friends Len & Zelna



Our last farewell meal with friends in Nelspruit



Coming in to land at LHR