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Lagan Valley Area Spring 2024

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Dear Friends,

It's time for Heather and I to say "Goodbye" to the ministry here in the Lagan Valley area. If you have read our previous two prayer letters, then you will know that after Easter we will be shadowing our National Directors, David and Rosemary Edwards full-time, with a view to taking on their role in due course. This will enable Heather and I to spend time with them and to learn as much as possible from them, before we take on the role as National Directors.

We will be leaving the work in the Lagan Valley area with a very heavy heart. I, David, have been working full-time in the area since Easter 1995. Heather joined me in the work whenever we married in October 1999. The years have just flown by. We have had the privilege of working alongside numerous faithful and loyal volunteers. Many of you have become really good friends. We have also had the freedom of teaching God's Word to hundreds of children and young people. Thankfully many of the children that we have taught are now adults and teaching today's children with the same wonderful, gospel message.

Over these past number of years there have been many changes. More and more parents are trying to stop God's Word being taught. Praise God that He never changes and His Word remains the same. He still ensures that we have opportunities to proclaim the truths that we find in the Bible. Please pray that the faithful and dedicated members who serve on the Lagan Valley committee will know God's leading and guiding. They are already busy with their families, jobs and churches. Now they will be taking on even more responsibilities.

Pray too for all the volunteers who faithfully teach the children and young people throughout the autumn and winter, in the Good News Clubs and Youth Challenges and throughout the summer in the 5 Day Clubs, Holiday Bible Clubs and Camps. Pray that no ministry will cease owing to the lack of volunteers.

Heather and I would like to thank those of you who regularly pray for the work. Prayer is vital. It's what keeps the ministries going. Please do plan to join with us for one of the Spring Week of Prayer meetings that have been arranged.

Spring Week of Prayer meetings			
Date	Host	Venue	Time
March 18 th	Via Zoom	Meeting ID: 245 126 7739	@ 8.00pm
		Passcode: 375771	
March 19 th	Mr & Mrs Bell	50 Kinedale Park, Ballynahinch	@ 10.30am
March 19 th	Mr & Mrs Harper	Ballykeel Baptist Church	@ 7.00pm
March 21 st	Mr Cardy	32 Crumlin Road, Lisburn	@ 8.00pm
March 24 th	Mrs Peake	Edengrove Presbyterian Church	@ 8.00pm

Thank you also to those of you who take time to read the Lagan Valley prayer letter. If you no longer wish to receive it, or you would like to receive it via e-mail, please let us know. From June, Heather and I will have to produce our own prayer letter. If you would like to receive our prayer letter, then please contact us and we can either e-mail you or post you a copy.

Please also accept our grateful thanks to those of you who support the area financially. You have been so faithful. If you are supporting the Lagan Valley area with your finances, please continue to do so. If you have been supporting Heather and I, then you need to contact the Finance department in the C.E.F. National Office and get them to transfer your support into our new account. Heather and I have to raise our own support from April 1st. You may contact the office by phoning 02890 730929.

Nothing stays the same; changes happen. For Heather and I we genuinely thought that we would retire from C.E.F. as the local workers of this area, however God had other plans. We will be very sad to leave the local work but we will follow the ministry with a genuine interest. Please remember that we are only a phone call away. We are not having to move house so we will still be living in the area. We don't know what the future holds, but God does and we can leave everything with Him.

Kind regards, David and Heather

Date for your diary:

Spring Fellowship Evening

Saturday 18th May @ 8.00pm

Lisburn Congregational hall