



Dhan & Dolly Lalsee

Serving the Lord in Zimbabwe

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Dear Partnering Friends,

We trust that 2023 has begun well for you and pray that as the days roll on, may we all grow in total abandonment, trusting our resurrected Lord as our Sufficiency, our Victory, our Sustenance, and our Rest. The days of Covid lockdown are over but the memories of those days still linger on, even as some of the symptoms and positive cases of the virus continue to make their appearance, not only here but also in other parts of the world. May the lessons which we learnt from those three years continue to grow and develop in us so that our faith becomes purer, and our lives more firmly rooted in Him.

We have many memories from this past year. Our most severe challenges included Dolly's bout of Covid pneumonia in January and Dhan's back problem which manifested itself during most of the year with growing pains down both legs. After consultations with two specialists in the field and many sessions with physiotherapists, convinced that the only certain route was the Lord's will, He showed us that He wanted us to agree on the less invasive surgical intervention. Dhan testifies that, not for one moment since the day of the surgery on October 21, has he experienced those gnawing pains again. *Oh, the goodness of our Father!* Knowing that many of you were praying for us certainly buoyed us up during that time, and we are so very grateful to all of you who surrounded us with your prayers. This is a very memorable experience which we can never forget.

Since the first lockdown here, we have not travelled out to our groups. Instead, we have met exclusively with individuals and groups here in Harare, or via What's App (WAP) and Zoom. This worked well except for those who had no access to the internet and using their phone packages would involve increased costs. Despite our own challenges, however, the Lord led us last August to organize a Retreat with some of the key leaders with whom we had been meeting. It was such a time of refreshing for all of us. Since then, we have been meeting on WAP with participants from which some lively discussions have ensued. Recently, the Lord has again laid it on our hearts to bring these men together for a follow-up Retreat. So, we are agreed on Saturday 18 and Sunday 19th February – only two weeks away!

Eleven participants are expected, seven of whom are from remote areas. They will be over-nighting. The rest are from Harare. The venue has already been secured and we are all excited about meeting again. Please join us in praying for this event – for each attendee, prepared hearts, for reliable and safe transportation for attendees; for Dhan's heart as he prepares to share and for the preparation of meals, etc.

We are also contemplating a furlough this year. Additionally, a special niece of Dhan's will be getting married on April 7th and we would really like to attend as well as sort out some personal issues back home, that need our attention. However, there are some hindrances – first Dolly's US visa has expired and although she applied for renewal since 2021, and two weeks ago she was allowed to visit the Embassy to pay the fee, there are some hiccups regarding the prepaid receipt and return envelope sent to the Embassy by the Couriers. Please pray that this gets resolved soon so the passport could be returned to us. Also, up for renewal is our Temporary Residence Permit (TEP) for Zimbabwe which expires next month. The application for renewal has been sent in. Please pray that the renewed permit would soon be issued.

Thank you so much for partnering with us in this ministry and for your faithful prayers for us and the work here.

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