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Serving in the United Kingdom

Ministry Update
Summer 2020 Update

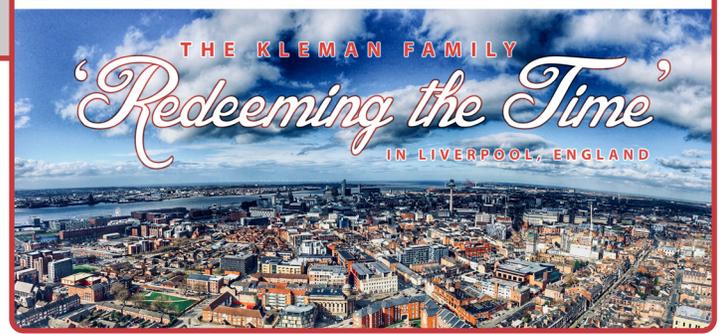
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Dear Praying Friends and Family,

First, we would like to apologise for the delay in getting our Summer ministry update out to you! Like you know, these have been unusual days and months and, although it seemed as though time stood still in some areas, in other ways it was a true whirlwind! We look forward to sharing with you the ways God has allowed our ministry and family to move forward in this time of "standing still" during the Summer and pray that it encourages you and your family. We truly appreciate your continued prayers and support. We've received notes of encouragement and special gifts and blessings and it truly does mean so much. We are thankful to have so many wonderful people "holding the ropes" for us in the States whilst we minister here in Liverpool, England.

THE PIONEER BIBLE CLUB | In our Spring update, we shared how God had made a way for the team of missionaries we work with to create a virtual Bible Club that was shown 4 days a week. Since that time, 45 episodes (2 seasons) of the Pioneer Bible Club have been recorded, pieced together and aired on FaceBook and YouTube. Each episode was between 35-45 minutes long and included a time of prayer, singing, Christian heritage spotlights, object lessons, Scripture memory, Bible lessons and more! Joy, having slight knowledge of video editing spent many, many hours a week assembling all of the segments together. Most days, one episode would require up to 8 hours of editing time! We rejoice in hearing reports of how God used the Pioneer Bible Club in the United Kingdom and around the world. Other missionaries in Italy and the Bahamas and Canada were able to use the PBC as a means to minister to their young people during this time of lock-down, as well as it being an additional Bible study tool for home-school families and Sunday Schools. Several families were in contact during the time of its production and expressed their gratitude for the programme and shared how God had used it to encourage their young people. Now that things are beginning to open slowly here in England, the creating of the Pioneer Bible Club has come to an end. But we are thankful for the opportunity to have been able to minister in this way to the next generation at a time when Sunday Schools and Bible Clubs were not able to meet.

VIRTUAL CAMP VICTORY | Usually, in the Summer, we help host a Christian camp for young people called Camp Victory. Due to the pandemic, we were not able to meet at the camp with the young people in person. However, after prayer, our team of missionaries and those with the Crown Christian Heritage Trust felt it would be good to offer a VIRTUAL camp this year. These were uncharted waters for all of us and the only experience we had with anything virtual so far was the Pioneer Bible Club. This, however, was to be a week-long opportunity to take part in nearly everything that you would typically experience as a camper during a normal week of camp, just done virtually. This meant the morning devotions with tent leaders, the morning and evening meetings, afternoon activities...everything was to be recorded and assembled and made available online. Each camper was also able to receive a special "Adventure pack" which was a box posted to them containing a t-shirt, a journal and other materials needed for the week of camp.

We were part of the "media team" for this special virtual camp—I was able to help with the creative process and the actual recording of the videos needed for the different meetings and activities. Joy was able to create from scratch an online "portal" that allowed campers to log in each day and view that day's meetings and activities, as well as her usual camp responsibilities of designing the t-shirt and journal. She also played a huge role in the editing of videos and helping train others to edit videos in order for it all to be done before the scheduled week of camp. It was amazing to see everyone working together in such a way to get everything done! We personally experienced so many answers to prayer. With a virtual camp, one (of many) major concerns are faulty technology or the internet. During the week of camp, however, not a single problem occurred! Praise God! Every video was completed on time, every camper was able to access the portal and do their necessary assignments for the week, the evening meetings (which were shown live) went on without a glitch due to working internet. The list could go on of the materialistic answers to prayers. On the spiritual side, God worked in ways beyond what any of us imagined. Over 170 campers booked on (wow!) from all over the world: the UK, the US, Canada, Italy, Hungary, Serbia, and even deaf campers who required a special British Sign Language track...and many made contact during the week expressing how God had worked in their heart during a devotion or meeting or Zoom call with their "tent leader". Our greatest rejoicing comes, though, from hearing of several young people who made a profession of faith during the week! God is so good! Sitting back, after the whirlwind of computer screens and editing and cameras, we give God all the glory for the souls that were saved. Truly that made all of the sleepless nights and countless hours worth every single second!

BRECK ROAD BAPTIST CHURCH | We shared before how God miraculously provided through people in the UK the needed funds for setting up a live stream at the church. People gave sacrificially and we were able to purchase the needed equipment; a gentleman in our church built an incredible sound desk for the church, and another man who does wiring for a living and is certified was able to run all of the wirings needed to get it all functioning properly! This has proven to be a wonderful means of training up labourers in the church, as well, as I have been able to train two men in the running of the live stream. It's a blessing to see them adopt it as their own and take it seriously and see it as a means

of blessing and outreach. They, in turn, are eager to train others, as well— which is exactly what we need to see! Praise the Lord! God has already used this new ministry in incredible ways. Now that our church is able to meet in person once more (with all of the social distancing and government regulations...sigh), we have had several visitors come to the church as a result of having watched online during the lockdown; people we had beforehand never met! One family, in particular, is a lovely Christian lady from Brazil. She had been watching for several weeks and came on the first Sunday that we met back. We visited with her in her home not long after and she shared how she was praying for her husband who openly denies Christ. What an answer to prayer and encouragement to see him attending three Sundays in a row now! Each week she is in tears and shares with Joy how she doesn't have any explanation for his sudden interest in church or desire to even attend except that GOD is at work and answering prayer. Please help us pray for this man and his wife's faithful testimony to him daily. She, as well as us, long to see him profess Christ as Saviour.

Another way that God has been advancing during this time of "standing still" is adding to our church membership! Before the lockdown, a family who had been attending faithfully for several months and who are believers, expressed their desire to join with our church. After several meetings with Jared, we were, of course, delighted to see God direct them to Breck Road! The pandemic, however, put their joining on hold. Thankfully, just the other week, we were able to hold our first-ever member's meeting and welcome this lovely family into the church! To God be the glory!

The young people of the church have also been a bright spot in the last several weeks. Since starting back to in-person services, several of the teenagers who usually come to the Sunday School, Sword Club or Youth Rally, have been walking into morning services! One lad walked about 20 minutes and another 15 minutes, all voluntarily. It has also been encouraging to visit the young people of the Sunday School on Sunday afternoons (until we are able to hold Sunday School again) and visit with their families. Each one asks when the Sunday School will begin once more and some even have friends they want to bring along when they are able to return. It is so lovely to see their desire to come back after all these months...please help us pray that we would be able to hold the Sunday School and Sword Club again soon!

One thing we did during the lockdown to help encourage the young people was to bake and deliver chocolate chip cookies to all of the Sunday School families. In two days we baked and delivered over 300 cookies (ha!). This simple gesture, however, meant the world to these families. Some of the parents even cried when we showed up at their door with a mask and gloves and a box of cookies. That day is definitely a highlight of this strange time and something we will always treasure when looking back on our ministry here in Liverpool.

We have been encouraged by the opportunities to hold Open Air preaching during this time of lockdown, as well. In the last few times we've met in the city centre, God has allowed large groups to gather to listen to the hope of the Gospel at a time when people are truly searching for answers and hope. We have had people attend the service as a result of the open air preaching during the last weeks, as well, which is greatly encouraging.

OUR GROWING FAMILY | At the beginning of the lockdown, we learned the wonderful news that God has blessed us with a second child and we couldn't be more thrilled! Joy is due in December. This pregnancy for Joy, however, has been much different than that with Wesley. She has been more ill this time and chasing after Wesley, as well as completing all of the media projects she has been involved in with the Pioneer Bible Club and Virtual Camp Victory, she has experienced some very low and exhausting days. However, we are thankful that in our weakness HE is made strong. Time and time again He enabled her to carry on and supplied her with the strength (spiritually, mentally and physically) to accomplish what was needed. Our most recent scan of baby Kleman showed that this baby is also a BOY— so Wesley will have a fun little brother, God-willing! God is so good in providing good health for the baby and all seems to be growing just fine. Joy is now 24 weeks or 6 months along. We covet your prayers for a continued safe pregnancy.



Wesley enjoys playing with mommy's mask at church. He is going to be one germ-free kiddo after growing up with all of the regulations these days! He already loves cleaning (ha).



Getting ready to deliver over 300 freshly baked chocolate chip cookies to the young people of the Sunday School



Visiting our Sunday School young people during the lockdown.



Jared preaching in the city-centre during the lockdown; we praise the Lord for this gospel opportunity.



Wesley "helping" with the Virtual Camp Victory media team.



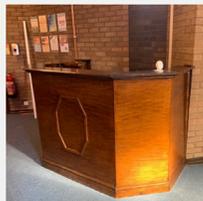
Some of the people who helped with the Virtual Camp Victory at Crown Hall. Whether video editing, calculating points, answering camper questions, etc. There was whole different kitchen crew and "tent leader" crew... It was incredible to see God bring it all together and use it in such a great way!



Just before the lockdown, God brought this lovely family from India to our church. After some easing of the lockdown restrictions (when you were able to visit with friends again), they had us to their home for authentic Indian curry. It was such a lovely evening of food and fellowship.



One of the first Sundays meeting back together since the March. Although socially distanced and wearing masks, etc., it is a blessing to finally be able to meet together once more in God's house!



The sound booth a gentleman in the church made for the new live-streaming ministry.



Some of the equipment that Christians from across the UK gave sacrificially towards to have a proper live-streaming ministry.



Jared and some of the other missionaries we work with recording videos for Virtual Camp Victory. In the end, over 180 videos were created (that number was doubled once we did the British Sign Language track, as well)



This is the first shipment of Virtual Camp Victory "Adventure Packs" that were shipped across the world for the campers that booked!

Thank you for your friendship and prayers and support!

PICTURES OF MOST OF THESE MINISTRIES AND EVENTS CAN BE FOUND ON OUR FACEBOOKS OR INSTAGRAM