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DEAR PASTORS AND PRAYING FRIENDS,

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It is hard to believe that the Lord has allowed the doors of Jarvis Brook Baptist Chapel to be open for two years now, and it is a real privilege to have seen the Lord answer so many prayers and bring in the lost so often to hear the Gospel. Thank you for your continued prayer and support. We feel very aware that the prayers of God's people have played a huge role in the blessings we have seen and do thank you for your faithfulness to pray.

"...FAITHFUL IS HE THAT CALLETH YOU, WHO ALSO WILL DO IT ." *I Thessalonians 5.24*

We have been reflecting recently on the faithfulness of God and are thankful we can labour with the missionary team we work alongside (Crown Christian Heritage Trust) for the greatest cause, knowing the Lord is the One who has brought us here and He will carry out His work!

APPLEBY HORSE FAIR

Each year at Europe's largest horse fair, tens of thousands gather, particularly from the Gypsy and Travelling community. This year we were privileged to be able to once more set up a Gospel tent from which evangelistic meetings were held each evening. In accordance with their tradition and culture, it is very challenging for many Gypsies and Travellers live out true faith in the Lord Jesus. We were so thankful to see a great number of Christians attend, as well as many unsaved. Each evening the Gospel was plainly preached, Gypsy and Traveller men shared their conversion testimonies and songs of praise and thanksgiving were sung. On the last night, nearly 300 people packed into the tent. Many made professions of faith, and others made decisions to return the Lord and His ways. It was a special opportunity and we trust the Lord will bring from it fruit that will remain!

CAMP VICTORY & HERITAGE CONFERENCE

This year we prayed that the Lord would fill our minibus with young people to bring to Camp Victory. He answered that prayer in a unique way and we were thrilled to be able to transport many

young people from our church and others to Crown Hall, Worcestershire for several days of Gospel preaching morning and evening. In preparation for the camp, we conducted a number of fundraisers to help with the cost of sending young people. One fundraiser involved face painting and selling home made lemonade. It was truly the most glum, drizzly English day and it certainly seemed from a human perspective that things were not likely to go well. We prayed that the Lord would go before us and bless our meagre efforts. Not one customer bought lemonade, nor had their face painted (and understandably so—it really was a miserable day!), but a kind, Christian gentleman stopped by to encourage us and gave us an unmarked envelope. Amazingly, he gave enough to cover one camper's entire fees - and imaginably much more than we would have made had we sold all our lemonade and painted all the faces out there! It is so wonderful to know God delights working in the circumstances that seem most unwelcome and we were thrilled to use the proceeds to send young people to camp.

A NUMBER OF NEW VISITORS

Over the last few months we have held two Men's Breakfasts and again invited many of our near neighbours to attend, for whom we have been praying over the last two years. One particular neighbour has lived a few doors up from the chapel for over 40 years and had never once come inside the building. The Lord saw fit to bring this particular neighbour in to our last Men's Breakfast as well as three others (all of whom are not from Christian backgrounds) and we rejoice that they heard each heard a clear Gospel message!

PLEASE PRAY...

- For the young people who heard the Gospel at Camp Victory this year to trust Christ.

- For the many new visitors we have had recently, that they would consider the Word of God and be saved.

IN CHRIST, THE HOUSER FAMILY