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Dear friends,

First of all, I want to express many thanks to all of you that have been supporters in both practical and spiritual ways for many years and especially over recent times. I have no doubt that the daily strength to continue the Lord's work is a very real answer to your prayers. It is a blessing, as much as a duty to thank and praise God for all of you, with the assurance, God, *"can do infinitely more than all we can ask or imagine according to the power that is working among us"* (Eph 3:20).

Matters for thanksgiving



Despite some ongoing restrictions due to Covid 19 we were able to have a Bible Camp with a small group in September. A few other weekend camps for teenagers and young people are also being planned for this school year. We are also praying concerning the possibility of restarting the weekly work with the children.



We are encouraging people to attend services back in the church and are thankful that many are coming, however due to the Covid 19 constraints we are also sending the services out online on Zoom. We plan to continue this arrangement at least until the inauguration of our new premises. We will then have better conditions to accommodate the whole congregation in one place.

We give thanks that we have been able to start all the church main activities for this school year.

- The children's Sunday School has started well, and we have seen an increase in numbers.
- The young people have started to meet in person and the group has grown. Most of them are well involved in the work of the Church.
- The ladies meeting has also started, though facing the first meeting without Elisa was emotional and difficult for all of them. But even so they are motivated to carry on the work.



We are thankful that the work in the new premises is moving forward, though not as fast as we would like. The next jobs are the floors, kitchen and windows.

We have the desire to start to use the premises about Christmas time, but that may not be possible.

The church officers are to meet in two weeks' time to discuss the progress. Among other things, we would like to fix a date for the official inauguration of the premises.



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Matters for prayer

- For the fragile political and economic situation of the country. Many are struggling to feed their families.
- For Vitor Geraldes and me, both of us now widowers. We are responsible for the main aspects of the work that is going on in the church new premises.

- **Pray that we all will continue faithful accepting the charge to preach and teach the word in season and out of season. (2 Timothy 4:1,2)**

***Eph 3:20** Now to the one who can do infinitely more than all we can ask or imagine according to the power that is working among us to him be glory in the church and in the Messiah Jesus to all generations, forever and ever! Amen.*

Yours in Christ Jesus,

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