Dear praying friends,

Greetings from Mauritius.

May the peace of God be upon you all in this festive season. Much of what we call peace in this world is nothing near an accurate reflection of the peace that the angels sang about on the night that Christ was born. The peace that the Bible promises is described as "a peace that passeth all understanding" (Phil. 4:7) and it differs fundamentally from the peace that the world offers (Jn. 14:27). We have been mandated to tell the world a saving message, about the peace of God (its origin) and peace with God (its manifestation). Within the ranks of those who are beneficiaries of the peace of/with God, the Holy Spirit produces peace as a fruit within and among these, who are qualified as peace makers - children of God (Matt. 5:9). It is our prayer that in this festive time that the peace that the Prince of Peace came to offer will be the theme of our personal lives, our practices within our local church, and our proclamation to the lost and dying world.

We appreciate prayer for our good friend Francois Serret, pastor of the Truth Baptist church, as he battles the last stages of cancer. He has been given a maximum of 12 weeks. He sent me an encouraging note from Australia with these closing words: "We are upward bound and rejoicing". That is what the peace of God can produce. Be in prayer for his wife Carolyn and his precious family.

Keep my niece, Karen in prayer. She has severe asthma and has tested positive for Covid. She is well taken care of in France. Pray for her father, one of our pastors, who lost his wife early this year, and all her family back here in Mauritius.

With a note of rejoicing, we had a wonderful time during our children's holiday club early in December. One of our grandchildren was saved. Today, about two weeks after the event, he confessed that he is a child of God. Please continue to pray for those who heard the Gospel, 40 some children from Catholic backgrounds and one little boy from Mohammedan family. Also, we would have you rejoice in the salvation and baptism of our niece Vandana, who has renounced Hinduism to follow Christ.

Our church is thriving. We have a good, overcrowded problem and we are trusting the Lord for a solution. We still await a response from the local authorities as we seek to lease a piece of land for a place of worship. Continue praying as we wait upon the Lord.

Thank you for your faithful support of prayer on my behalf. My heart is still ticking. Never since my surgery have I had as much discomfort as this past months. But as thy days so shall be our strength. So we keep moving forward by grace. The harvest truly is plentiful and the labourers are few. Pray for James and Cindy Herringson in their desire to serve the Lord here. Another younger man, Moses Ekpah Jr. from Nigeria writes of his desire to be a missionary to Mauritius.

Dear praying friends, we are ever grateful for your faithfulness unto the Lord in the financial and prayerful support of our ministry. Regardless of the turmoil that is going on in this world, may the peace of God be your lot in double portions during this Christmas season.

Your missionaries,

Guy and Marilyne Grenade. December 2020

