

# A Heart to Change the World



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## Dear Friends,

So... the year is already half over. I don't know about you, but it seems the older I get the faster time goes. It feels that once we finish one newsletter, it's time to start the next one. It is a blessing, however, to be able to share this ministry with you and a privilege to bring you our latest update.

### Shine Africa

If you remember our letter from June 2018, you will recall the Shine Africa campaign that was begun then. This June we are again focusing on this annual event that asks listeners to become active in TWR's ministry by making donations for the ongoing partnership that is required to keep our programs on the air. It is also an opportunity to hear from them, first hand, how TWR's ministry has impacted their lives. Last year's inaugural campaign was a great experience and we had great communication from many listeners. This year, Lauren Libby, TWR's president, will again be joining us as we expand upon our previous event and work to make it even better.



### Gospel Animations

At the beginning of 2018 Nathan was given the task of creating the sound design for a series of twenty short animations that told the Gospel story in a North African language. These past few months, he was asked to revisit the project again as they have been translated for use in the Levant. It's exciting to have the opportunity to become involved in a project again, and find ways of improving upon previous endeavours.

There have been other requests to have this series adapted for use in other parts of the world. He looks forward to being called upon to serve on this team again in the future.

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### Ruth Ministry

This church ministry continues to grow. The downside is that our small group is finding it difficult to get to know all the ladies in our limited amount of time. Megan and the team are thinking of revamping the way they do this ministry.

Options such as; opening once a week but dividing into baby age groups (0 to 3 months come one week, 6-12 months come the next week, etc.), offering workshops that they must attend before receiving a hamper, or offering workshops to ladies earlier on in their pregnancy. This is still in the beginning stages of planning. We really covet your prayers as we move forward in this. We need to find curriculum or develop our own for various topics (first aid, nutrition, ways to stimulate baby, etc.), and how to coordinate and organize everything.

### Family Life

The kids lives are busy with activities, sleepovers, playdates and, of course, school.

Ashlyn is getting work experience one afternoon a week in a charity store our church is affiliated with. She is enjoying it and it has been very good for her.

The church hired a new youth Pastor this past January. Ashlyn is enjoying the discussions and teachings, as this Pastor goes deeper and challenges her. The small groups talk about tough issues that affect teens and young adults.

Lindsay volunteered to be a mini-leader for Children's Church, as she is now in grade 6. That means she sets up and serves the juice and biscuits to the kids after the service, and she's available to help with other things if the leaders need her.

Corwyn and Nathan are working on painting a toy box together. Corwyn is super excited by this project. He has designed it and Nathan is showing him how to implement his design.

All of them are doing very well in school. Corwyn likes math and science. Lindsay and Ashlyn enjoy history. For some of their science classes, we have joined other homeschool friends for some dissections. It's been a great time, and one of our missionary friends, who used to be a biology teacher, was able to teach it. They had a lot of fun.



## PRAYER AND PRAISE

- We are thankful that the new translation of the Gospel animations has been completed and we pray that God would use them to His glory in the Levant.
- Praise the Lord for all the local women and mothers who are being reached through the Ruth Ministry of our church. Please pray for the decisions that are being made to make it more effective.
- Please pray for the success of Shine Africa 2019. This is an opportunity for the listeners of our broadcasts to take an active role in the ministry.
- As we move closer to the end of the year, we are planning the logistics of our next furlough.

Please pray that God will bless the process and help us keep our focus on Him and His call on our lives.

- We are actively looking for new partners to share in this ministry. Ask the Lord to provide the support we need to return to, and continue on the field.

# Upcoming Furlough

The end of November will mark the beginning of our second furlough from the field. We will take time for ourselves and family through December and the beginning of January. Then it will be time to visit with many of you and share with you personally. Our intention is to return to the field by mid-March, God willing. Furlough is a time where we get to have a bit of a rest from our labours and connect with you, our partners in ministry. But as you know, it is also a time where we must connect with potential new partners who are willing to come alongside us, as you have, and support our ministry financially. There have been cost increases for keeping us on the field and we ask that you would pray that God would bring forward those who are excited to be part of our ministry in Africa. Please make us aware of your desire to meet with us while we are back in Canada. We have lots to share and we look forward to being with you.

*Serving Christ in Africa*

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