

## Happy New Year!

**WEDNESDAY 1** At Casa Vietii we rejoice again at the opportunity to bring joy to the hearts of mothers and their children at events we organised last month. Continue to pray for the salvation of these women. Mia, Romania

**THURSDAY 2** *'You crown the year with your goodness, and your paths drip with abundance'.* Psalm 65:11 Our Vision: we want to end the physical and spiritual poverty of people so they can enjoy the fullness of life. We have 40 adopted children from the very poor and vulnerable, mostly working in brick kilns as slaves. This has been happening for decades. Madah is one of those children that we, at 'Living Waters', helped with school fees, uniforms etc. since 2020. We praise God for Madah. She has been an excellent student and will be moving on from our education project to college where we are no longer able to help her with college fees. However, you can pray with us for Madah to have a bright future and for her to be a testimony to many. N & S, South Asia

**FRIDAY 3** I want to step into the new year with a heart full of gratitude, faith, and hope. The same God who sent His Son into the world walks with us still. He is faithful, He is good, and He is enough. As C.S. Lewis once said: "Look back and be thankful. Look forward and trust God. Look around and serve others." Sladjan & Jaroslava, Serbia

**SATURDAY 4** As we enter the new year, we are grateful to God for His grace. We also want to thank you for being with us, praying for us, and supporting ELION Media Ministry. This has been a year full of blessings as well as challenges. Unfortunately, the Meta Business Account for our "Isus Mesija" Facebook page was hacked on December 1st, and we have not yet been able to recover it. Please pray for us so that this account can be restored. Sasko & Ira, Serbia

**SUNDAY 5** One of our small islands in Batanes has yet to see an evangelical church planted. God is on the move and is answering many prayers - the time has come! We, at Grace ministries, have started to visit the few believers, gathering them from their different small villages, encouraging them and mentoring them to be soul winners in their own island. This has been so exciting! The Lord was opening doors and putting the right people before us, preparing us and the people of the island whom we wanted to meet. It can only be the work of God; it is so amazing to see confirmation of the plans we had made beforehand. To spend a few days in Sabtang, we have to take a ferry, find accommodation and cover various other costs. We now think we should have a church planter based on this island. Jerry & Gea, Philippines

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The AMEN team is with Mia, fourth from the left, who is the director of Casa Vietii (House of Hope) in Romania.

**MONDAY 6** We are reaching out to some of the schools for the blind in a few of our cities. Our ministry is the only publisher bringing braille books for sharing the good news. A government school received our braille book 'Forgiveness of sin'. Pray the Word of God would not return empty and many of these students would understand who Jesus is and his love for all. T & S, South Asia

**TUESDAY 7** A significant number of children in El Shadai still have no individual sponsors. Pray for people to consider being a prayer partner and a financial supporter. J & H, South Asia

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**WEDNESDAY 8** Last year, we were blessed with provision from God for both the ministry and me personally. I am so encouraged to have been provided with one of the most needed tools in the ministry - a laptop. The workshop we organised for the women and the outdoor prayer retreat was a great blessing. On a personal note, it was a joy to be with my 95 year old mother at Christmas in our village. Our hearts are full of thankfulness. Thank you for praying for us and to God be the glory. Awon, South Asia

**THURSDAY 9** God has graciously provided volunteers to serve alongside us. We faced challenges and opposition from those who do not share our faith. They disconnected our power lines which resulted in landlords refusing to rent to us. Yet, we see God's hand at work and his protection. Twelve women and several children have come to know Jesus and are attending church. We are also thankful to God for faithful supporters and sponsors in prayer and in giving. R, South Asia

**FRIDAY 10** Last month, many attended our Christmas celebrations who do not share our faith in Christ. They need to understand that every individual is precious to God who demonstrated his love in that *while we were still sinners, Christ died for us*. Ask the Lord to remind our guests of the message they have heard and may their hearts be stirred to seek him who refreshed them when they heard the Word preached. S & B, South Asia

**SATURDAY 11** The Tondo area experienced two huge fires affecting hundreds of families from Isla Puting Bato and Aroma. These communities are near our school in smokey mountain slums and some of our students lost their simple dwellings in the fire. Our campus Bible study efforts have helped our students become resilient at this difficult time. Remember them as they need to build their homes again to have somewhere to live. Zaldy & Ria, Philippines

**SUNDAY 12** By the grace of God we reached more than 13,000 villages in the vision to reach 25,000 with the gospel. There was a lot of opposition in many places but there are many open doors among desperately needy people. Our Lord did miracles and people were healed. Pray for the completion of this vision and provision to cover our costs. David & Jeba, India



Christmas gifts and shoeboxes are gratefully received by the women in Casa Vietii.

**MONDAY 13** We are training to help us to launch Grace & Light ministry in the UK. We hope that, as well as bringing gospel impact, this will also build a new donor constituency for our ministry in Nigeria. Tassie continues in faithful and fruitful ministry while under a lot of pressure: please pray for her health and capacity to handle all that comes her way in 2025, M & I, Nigeria

**TUESDAY 14** Remember the trustees of AMEN in prayer: Chris & Sharon, Janet and Simon. Ask that in 2025, they may have energy, unity and vision for the future. In common with almost every other charity, we struggle to find young people who are willing to be involved.

**WEDNESDAY 15** Last month, while I was dropping my children off at school, we were hit by a bike and the three of us fell down causing us injuries. My ribs, knees and back muscles are painful. Please pray with us for our recovery and for funds to keep us going. We are under supported as a family and there are more needs than before. Ask the Lord for new supporters and new open doors to help my family. N & S, South Asia

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**THURSDAY 16** I need an answer from the social workers' assistant community to obtain a permit to work as a specialist in social fields. I have a lot of mixed emotions. Ask the favour of God on me. I should have made this request earlier on having already worked for 12 years in this field. Mia, Romania

**FRIDAY 17** *'I will look with favour on the faithful in the land, that they may dwell with me; he who walks in the way that is blameless shall minister to me'* Psalm 101:6. Give thanks and praise for opportunities God has given us to be involved with the MV Logos Hope ministry onboard and onshore in Trinidad & Tobago until the end of the month when we return to the UK. Gareth & Malou, UK

**SATURDAY 18** Give praise to God! We had a wonderful sharing time with teachers and parent volunteers in the school campus. The clay activity we had during the Bible study was enjoyed very much and many realised that God is our Maker. Zaldy & Ria, Philippines

**SUNDAY 19** There have been several developments at El-Shadai. We are delighted to be able to tell you that the first phase of solar panel installation is complete. Moreover, the money to pay in full has been raised and the contractor can be paid this month. Give thanks with us for God's grace and faithfulness and for the generosity of his people. Stephen & Anne, South Asia

**MONDAY 20** Throughout 2024, we shared the Gospel online via Messenger more than 2,000 times. We also sent out 280 New Testaments or full Bibles in printed editions. Please pray with us that those who have heard the Gospel or received a Bible will surrender their life to God. Sasko & Ira, Serbia

**TUESDAY 21** The Christian community in our nation P is becoming daily prey to persecution and discrimination. I thank God who called me to His service in 2002. Ever since, he has given me a passion for mission that is still there today. And I hope that until I die, the fountain of missions will remain in me. God told me to conduct mission conferences to prepare his people for missions in our nation P, even in persecution. N & S, South Asia

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Women's meeting at Casa Vietii, Romania.

**WEDNESDAY 22** We will be having our annual church ministry meeting this month. Ask the Lord for his clear guidance on us, the church leaders. We want to be sensitive to what the Holy Spirit is saying to us that we might be moving according to God's perfect will in all the activities we plan and do, giving glory to his name. Jerry & Gea, Philippines

**THURSDAY 23** Pray for us that God will guide us in the coming year as we continue to share the Gospel with various people, both online and offline. Pray with us that this will be the year ELION Media will get its studio and our family a permanent home to live in. Sasko & Ira, Serbia

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**FRIDAY 24** We would want the women in GB road to remember the love that the Lord has for them through last month's Christmas outreach. A gospel message was given followed by a gift. Pray for an enduring and persistent love from the sisters who are ministering in the red light district and for open hearts to receive God's love. T & S, South Asia

**SATURDAY 25** My mother Sonabai has now developed swelling in her legs due to long hours of work in the vineyards. The responsibility of caring for her has fallen on me. May the Lord open a way where i can help her as I balance gospel work with needs of the family while experiencing the gracious hand of God in all that we need. I, Sanjay am experiencing discomfort on my right leg due to varicose veins - I need the Lord's healing. S & B, South Asia

**SUNDAY 26** Ask God to protect us in all our ministries and travels – for vision, wisdom and strength for the New Year. I recovered well from my heart treatment. Janice, our daughter, is serving on the pastoral staff of a Lutheran church in Vancouver while our son Jairus completed his theological studies and is serving on the pastoral staff of a Methodist church in Singapore. R, South Asia

**MONDAY 27** In areas where we do mission work, VMM blessed widows and children with gifts. Thank God for his provision and pray many may be saved in each village. Santhosh & Eben, India

**TUESDAY 28** Financially, 2024 has been a very lean year, especially for Grace & Light UK, the main source of funding for the work in Nigeria. Income is less than a third of what it was in 2023. A good chunk of this drop is the result of a dramatic fall in income for our building project, progress on which has slowed to a snail's pace in recent months. But we also lost three of our biggest regular donors virtually simultaneously and we have not yet seen people stepping forward to fill the gap. We have still been able to fund basic operations thanks to the dramatic fall of the Naira against hard currencies but recent signs are that high inflation is starting to outstrip currency depreciation. We have had to compensate for inflation in raising our staff salaries for 2025 and capacity to absorb that will be quite a test for us. Our desire to grow income to grow ministry remains just a dream for now. M & I, Nigeria

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We help young mothers at Casa Vietii, Romania

**WEDNESDAY 29** Please pray for God to provide a safe and convenient location for prayer meetings and ministry projects. We want to have some land to build a multipurpose hall and have a 21 seat vehicle for the projects we are running. R, South Asia

**THURSDAY 30** Last month, we had a programme for our needy SIKATT scholars who were victims of the fire. Our aim is to point to them and their families the real joy giver that they may discover the meaning and purpose of life in Christ Jesus our Lord. We were able to give them gift bags with essential material needs. The other activity we had was for the leaders of the SIKATT ministry. Pray for spiritual fruit. Zaldy & Ria, Philippines

**FRIDAY 31** To God be the glory, great things he has done! Last month, we had a talent night for our young people, a church and a children's ministry celebration and an opportunity to share the gospel. We baptised 3 of our young people which was so special. Jerry & Gea, Philippines