



## REACHING A LAND IN NEED.

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Dear Pastor, Church Family, and Praying Friends,

Things are different.

A couple of months ago, I was preparing for Easter service and looking forward to warmer weather. Now, I prepare online Sunday School classes and look forward to any phone call or letter I may get from a friend. What a different world we live in for the time being! My heart goes out to all the children who are in terrible situations in their homes, and I have been praying that the Lord would protect them from evil and use this time to draw families closer to Him instead of letting them be driven apart by circumstances.

As you can imagine, things are definitely different. I've started to do Sunday School classes live online (which comes with its own technology learning curve). I'm also giving the children a daily challenge as well as doing a bedtime Bible story time with them. Another friend is using an interactive platform to tell missionary stories and give lessons. I think we're all scrambling to try to understand how to best help our students. I, for one, have fought the thought of going online because I think children should get off the technology and get outside. But for the time being, this is how we can reach them, and therefore this is how we work. Will we be allowed to get the children together this summer for VBS? I doubt it, since most of them need a ride to get to VBS, and I don't foresee ride sharing being an option in the near future. But does that mean that VBS can't happen? No! It just means that we need to be inventive and creative, using the resources our Creator has given us. Your prayers are so much appreciated as we as a church here - and as all of us - go forward into uncharted waters. All I know is that God is still in control, that Easter and Christmas are still Easter and Christmas even if we don't get together and celebrate with a special service and a potluck, and that children still need to hear the Good News and know that Jesus can save them and is their very best Friend!

I hope that you stay safe. And may the Lord bless you as you reach out to your part of the world!

### Requests:

- \* Salvation of SS children
- \* opportunities to share the Gospel even during isolation

### Praises:

- \* Privilege of teaching Sunday School - online!
- \* Ability to communicate

- For a People in Need,

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