



Satterly's Journal

Literature ministry & leadership development

Dear family and friends,

It has been too long since you heard from us. The last few weeks changed the world it seems. They zapped energy and gave time slots we never had. Challenging in every way. We had to cancel many of our planned trips and have been home yet each day fills up quickly.

The **Logos Hope** spent the last 3 months in lockdown in Kingston, Jamaica with no public allowed onboard or crew going onshore. We are grateful to the authorities for allowing the ship to stay in port for that length of time. As well as keeping up with the regular routines of operating the ship, the team have had the chance to spend more time doing bible studies and undergo additional training. While the training was running most of the crew were able to experience working in other departments across the ship. A number of virtual on shore 'events' have also been held, including hosting the day of prayer for OM International. Some of you may have heard that the ships visit to Europe this year has been cancelled and that *Logos Hope* will remain in the Caribbean until the beginning of next year.



The ship would have normally finished her annual drydocking which includes renewal of required certificates. However since this did not happen due to Covid 19, the ship was granted a 3 month extension and was able to sail on to Curacao where the needed surveys and certification work can take place. We are praying that the work will go swiftly and smoothly. After that we are currently investigating the possibilities of partnering with other organisations who are undertaking relief and development work in islands that were affected and are still recovering from last season's hurricanes. Please pray that the Lord will confirm our steps in that regard. Someone once said wisely that "if our hearts are in the right place then we don't need to worry too much about our feet"!!

In Florence, South Carolina our small team of workers have been kept exceptionally busy keeping up with the huge online demand for bibles and books. During some days over 2,000 orders of books were being shipped out every day. We are using an opportunity to expand the work there and potentially open more Biblestore Outlets in South Carolina. Pray with us that this may become a reality.

People Care in OM Ships

Iris: At the end of last year I put down my role in People Care. Now I only help run our leadership development program 'Joshua Journey' which is connected to OM international. New ways. Not always easy to step into the unknown. But there is always beauty in trusting God and moving forward step by step. I am curious as to what HE has in store next. Every day is filled with meeting local friends for walks and talks and still some mentoring. I also started a small ladies group as follow up from an Alpha Course our church held. The ladies work at church is also on my heart and so I accepted the invitation to help lead that again. The preparations for **Joshua Journey** had to be done virtually with 10 days' notice. That was a tough one, but with a great team we managed. However, every day we realize how different this group of 23 leaders from across OM is experiencing this journey as they never met in person yet. I am grateful for prayer for this group to have a meaningful growth experience as they journey into a very much unknown future for all of us.



Strange that on old pictures you always look younger☺.



Yes, our children have pretty much grown up:

Daniel writes his final exams for his apprenticeship in technical sales this week. He learned this week that he has been offered a contract with his company for one year initially! During Covid 19 that is a miracle as many were made redundant in his company recently. Do praise the LORD with us for this good news!

Luke worked the entire time in the rehab and fitness studio. His dual studies continue and he has exams this week, too. He already has a "pain therapist" certificate and continues to work and study faithfully. He is part of a small group at church and enjoys some good friendships. Teaching people day in day out about how to build up your muscles has him train a lot as well. He is very fit!

After many month **Talitha** is finally back at school. The online-version of school was not her favorite experience as she is a people-person. She continued to offer kids-club for her church and they provided it all virtually. Strange days. The young generation gets incredibly creative though. She has been driving since November and gains confidence and experience. Once she is 18 in November she will be able to drive on her own. She enters her last year of school and looks to God what to do next summer.

THANK you so much for your faithful support in prayer and financially!

You are amazing!

We are connected in the LORD.

With our love

John & Iris, Daniel, Luke und Talitha