



## December 2020

## Dear Friend,

The preparation for Mission Torbay continues with just under a year to go. Thank you for your support in this initiative. This is an update on the situation.

## First the news:

- 1. The planning group are now meeting regularly.
- 2. **Prayer walking** has started, and we have gone out three times. As a result of lockdown we have revised future dates as follows:
  - a. Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> December at 2.30. Central Church, Torquay
  - b. Saturday January 23<sup>rd</sup> at 2.30 at St. Paul's Preston.
  - For more details contact Andrew Stilliard on email: astilliard@gmail.com
- 3. **Other missions** This summer TFM facilitated missions around the country, we know that some people from Torbay were involved with this. If you went on mission, why not tell us about it so we can share how you got on.
- 4. **Training day for our mission:** This will take place on **Saturday February 13<sup>th</sup>**, at St. Paul's, Preston. Everyone who wants to take part in the mission should plan to be there if you did not get to the previous training day.
- 5. Other missions next year: It would also be good for you to book a week on a mission elsewhere a chance to gain further experience. Various missions are planned by TFM. Find out more at the training day, or visit their site: <u>https://www.throughfaithmissions.org/</u> which includes a great video showing how TFM have adapted during COVID-19.

## Please pray for this mission.

- a. Rejoice that a good number of church leaders are keen to host teams.
- **b.** Pray for freedom: The mission is planned for Sat 18th Sun 26th September 2021. In these strange times we have no idea of what the situation will be by then and what we will be free to do.
- c. Pray for the organisers: for the host churches and their leaders that the administration around hosting would go smoothly. Also for Tim Hall and the TFM team and their other missions. You can go to their website to sign up for their prayer letters.
- **d. Pray for creative ideas**: that churches would be inspired with ideas for missionaries to get stuck in with.
- e. Pray for team members: that local people (like you) would be inspired to come on the mission, and others from further afield.
- f. Pray about follow up: that churches will find effective ways to build on new relationships formed during the mission.
- **g.** Most of all pray for openness: that God would be preparing people's hearts to receive the Good News of Jesus.

With Every Blessing

Stephen Mates



If you would like to receive further updates about the mission, please email: <u>missiontorbay@gmail.com</u> and one of the team will get back to you.