



MY LIFE UNDER LOCKDOWN PART 2.

JUNE 2020

My very dear friends

Thank you for the encouraging feedback from my May update on 'Life under Lockdown' last month. Here is my update for JUNE and I hope you will find it interesting because you, my dear friends, keep me in the Ministry. Anthony and Basil laid down the perfect programme for this time we are going through now, so here is how it goes after 62 days in lockdown.

1. SPIRITUAL

My day always begins with prayer and the reading of the Bible, following Robert Murray McChesney's calendar.

Geof Thomas wrote:



"Jesus exhorts us to search the Scriptures (Jn. 5.39); that is, we are to ransack the Word of God, to pore over it, to subject it to every kind of analysis, to grasp it's every shade of meaning. We are to be obsessed with a desire to understand it. This passionate concern is never to become incidental or secondary. It should be a priority in the Christian life, an activity around which our existence revolves. If man cannot live by bread alone but by every word which proceeds out of the mouth of God, then God's Word must have an absolutely basic place in the whole of our Christian life. To its reading we must apply ourselves with the utmost industry."

2. PHYSICAL



The Monks would then get to some manual work. I clean the house, wash the cars and the dog, look after my veggie garden and do all the chores, which come from owning a home. These keep one busy, but I find them very enjoyable. Tea at 10:00 is a welcome end to my physical duties for the day.

3. STUDY

The rest of my day is then spent in study, reading and going over all my lectures.

WRITING

I have just put together a biography on ROBERT MOFFAT, and once it has been typed, it will go directly onto my website (www.footprintsintoafrica.com), under RESOURCES. I have also written an article on my journey from being a white, conservative, middle-class racist into becoming a bishop with no colour. This will also be uploaded to my website when it has been typed up. This article was my sermon which I preached in 1988 at the time when South Africa was on fire ... it will also be available under RESOURCES. I will never forget that sermon; it was one of the sentinel points of my life. The Church was packed, people were standing outside, and I felt the Spirit of God as never before. A lawyer in Pietermaritzburg sent it to the President of South Africa, F.W. de Klerk.

READING

My love for reading continues unabated and I have managed to read the following books:

Commentaries:

- I ploughed slowly through J.G. McConville's commentary on Deuteronomy

Devotional:

- Geof Thomas' little book on "Reading the Bible" was brilliant.

📖 Preaching

- Jay Adam's small book on "preaching from the Heart" was phenomenal and a book I would love every preacher to read.

📖 Theology

- Charles Pinnoch's book on "A Defence of Biblical Infallibility" was brilliant. A book of 1500 pages on "Theological Education in Africa" was very challenging and helpful.

📖 Biographies:

- I loved re-reading David Livingstone's book "Missionary Travels in Southern Africa". What an epic journey his first journey was; right across Africa, phenomenal.

4. FOOTPRINTS INTO AFRICA

This week I will collect the newly printed Swahili translation of our Certificate in Theology. One of our pastors, a past student of KMBC is busy translating the Study Manual into Chichewa, one of the local Malawian languages. The progress of my 'Missions' house in Nsangwe is now up to roof height, and this is so very encouraging.



5. K.M.B.C.

After much prayer and many hours of discussion with those 'in the know', we will be opening on time for the 3rd term on 7 July 2020. Charmaine, Margaret and I have combined the 2nd and 3rd terms work into a new Timetable, so that by the end of September, we would have caught up all the lectures and K.M.B.C. will be on track for the completion of the complete 2020 Academic year. By God's grace, with our new Online study options and other incredible resources, all available free of charge from my website, we are ready and flying ... with a passion to train pastors and missionaries for Africa.

Thank you all again so very, very much for all your prayers, love and amazing financial support during this time, I am extremely grateful. Be encouraged, stay blessed and many thanks.

Blessings

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