



✍ MY LIFE UNDER LOCKDOWN LEVEL 1

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My dear friends,

One of the greatest of all missionaries was Henry Martyn. Shortly before his death, after a very short ministry, he wrote these words:



MARTYN wrote:

"... the spirit of Christ is the spirit of missions. The nearer we get to Him, the more intensely missionary we become."

For me, my life is Jesus and missions, to eat, drink and live for missions. Nothing is of greater importance! But last week, I was sent some of the latest statistics regarding missions around the world. They make very sad reading and I wanted to share four of them with you this month and four more next month.

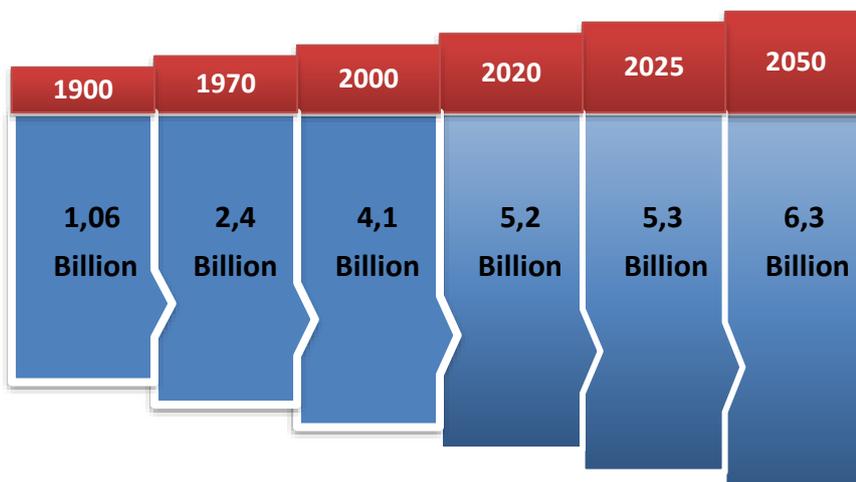
1. Little Change in Christian adherents

The global percentage of Christian Adherents (broadest possible definition of "Christian") has changed very little since 1900 and not much change is expected in the future.

1900	1970	2000	2020	2025	2050
34.5%	33.4%	32.4%	32.3%	33.6%	35.4%

2. Absolute Number of Non-Christians is Growing

While Christians of all types make up about one third of the world, the number of non-Christians is increasing. The remaining task is growing!

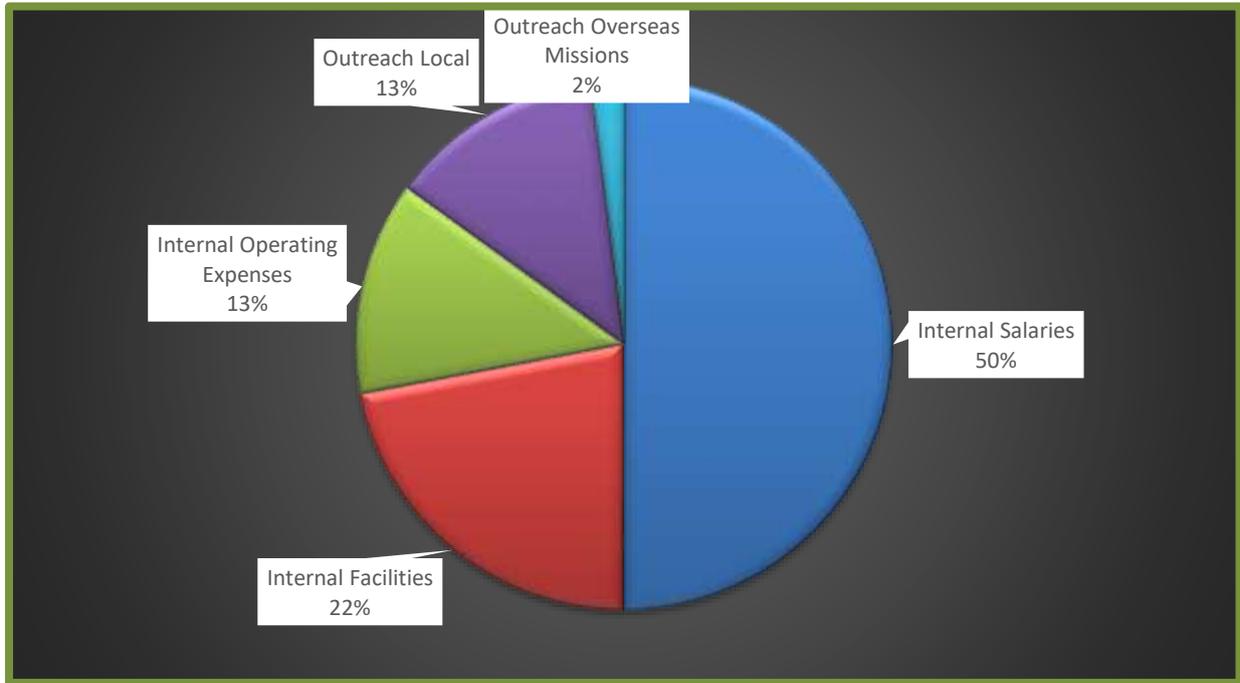


3. Small Percentage of Evangelicals

Evangelicals (an approximation of Christ-followers) are only about 8-9% of the world's population. While evangelicals are growing more rapidly than the general population and other segments of Christianity, the growth rate has been slowing since 1990. For example, after remarkable growth for much of the 20th century, evangelical growth in South Korea has plateaued since 1990.

4. Church Spending Imbalance

About 85% of North American church financial resources are used for internal purposes. 15% is used for outreach.



Most of the 2% of overseas missions resources go toward ministry among already Christianised people groups. Only a small portion of the 2% goes towards unreached peoples.

How tragic to hear of churches spending 85% on themselves and only 2% on the unreached. I find this so incredibly sad ... but now to update you on my work.

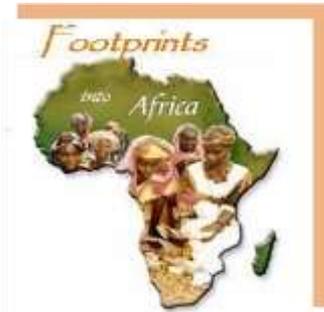


1. KWAZULU-NATAL MISSIONARY & BIBLE COLLEGE

We are well into the first term, training pastors and missionaries for Africa. By God's grace, all is going well but may I ask you to pray that some of the 25 applicants from Zambia, Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania, Malawi and Botswana will join us for the 2nd term. That would be wonderful, to have a full College again.



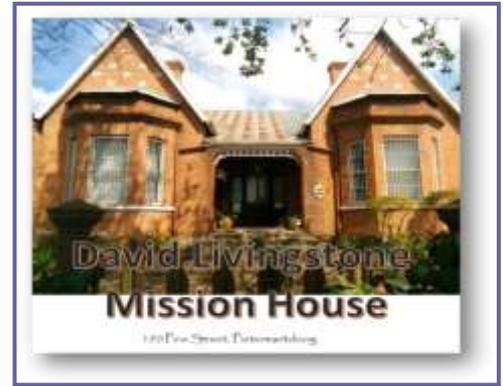
Some of the students hoping to come from Uganda, and Zambia



2. FOOTPRINTS INTO AFRICA

We are getting resources out all the time for our students and I am hoping soon to be able to visit Malawi, Uganda and Mozambique.

But please do try to make our next MMM - Missions Motivation Meeting:



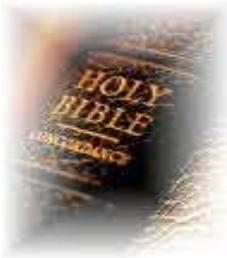
Date: Saturday 12th March

Time: 09:30 - 12:00

Venue: David Livingstone Mission House

I will be talking on **'The History of Missions in Southern Africa.'**

It promises to be another great time of soaking ourselves in missions. To book please contact Charmaine on 073 234 0367.



3. PREACHING

During this month, I have been so privileged to preach at Christ Church Pietermaritzburg, St. Olav's in Durban, Holy Trinity Imbali and the Hayfields Bible Chapel. Our Thursday Bible study continues to be a great blessing to all of us. How very blessed I am, to have these opportunities.

MOZAMBIQUE

This month I want to focus on Mozambique. Many of you have been reading how our past students are now serving the Lord Jesus across Africa in Tanzania, Zambia, Malawi, Kenya, Zimbabwe, Uganda, Burundi, Rwanda, Botswana, The DRC, Namibia and Qwa Qwa, as well as in England, Cambodia, Paraguay, New Zealand, Pakistan and Indonesia. It is the most incredible miracle to witness. Now onto Mozambique ...

Never will I forget visiting our past students Jacques Pentz and later Jinx Reyneke, preaching out in the rural villages, it was fantastic! Twice I was invited to be the guest speaker at the **Africa Inland Missions Conference** in Beira. Wow these were amazing times for me.





One of our past head students [Chico Cook](#), also did gospel work across Mozambique before coming to South Africa.

BUT...



You make this all possible my dear friends. I am so very grateful to you for your ongoing love, prayers and financial support and I hope these monthly newsletters are an encouragement to you all. See you at the MMM meeting!

Blessings,

Warwick

I have the most incredible privilege of serving Jesus in Africa. If you would like to share in, or support my work into Africa, I would greatly value your partnership in Missions.

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