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IN THIS SPECIAL ISSUE OF THE "GLOBAL VIEW". WE ARE ONLY SHARING WITH YOU INFORMATION AND PRAYER CONCERNS FROM THOSE SERVING IN OTHER COUNTRIES IN RESPONSE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC.

After you pray, why not drop the person, or persons, prayed for a line or send an email of encouragement and blessing. (Most are on fb)

PLEASE PRAY FOR



CAPTAINS TIM & BETHANY DELANEY in SOUTH AFRICA along with their 3 children - Jubilee (15), Zoe (13) & Israel (11). Corps Officers of the Goodwood Corps in the Western Cape Division. (March 23) – "Thank you for your prayer support. We are about to enter a national 21 day lockdown. Due to our limited funds, we have only been able to give a little extra food in preparation for the lockdown. We had about 4 times the number of people seek food parcels this month. We prepared some Sunday School, Jr. Soldier and Corps Cadet materials for the corps kids to take home last Sunday. Many people live far away and in areas that can be dangerous to visit. In fact, we had a break-in at the corps last weekend. The person bent the fence to avoid the electric wire and went through a small bathroom window. They took our sound board and Tim's iPad. They also broke the blade off our paper cutter and used it to try to break into the safe. However, we are all fine and no other items were damaged or missing. We will lose our main income for 3 weeks while the Thrift Store will be closed. Many of the corps members are connected on social media. We expect to use this platform for staying connected. Some of the Home League ladies have asked to have a Bible Study. Our corps people here are a blessing. Many have been through very difficult challenges already and their faith is unshakable. Yesterday, we were able to pick up our "new" van, thanks to the generosity of the Southern Territory. The kids were excited to have a little more space and enjoy the a/c when we went to get groceries today. Our kid's schools already had a 2 week break scheduled, so we will only lose one week and then will start online classes, most likely. We are still clinging to our verse for this season" Joshua 1:9 bethany.delanev@saf.salvationarmy.org



CAPTAINS ALAN & MARY GONZALEZ in SPAIN Corps Officers of two Corps in Mallorca: one with a Spanish-speaking congregation and the other with a bilingual (English) congregation. (March 23) - "Thank you for praying for us. Right now we have restrictions to move around the Island. However, from time to time, I have been delivering groceries to some people in need who can't get to the grocery store. As church activities are suspended until it is safe, we are using social media to provide spiritual and emotional support." Alan.marype22@gmail.com



LT. COLONELS KELLY & DONNA IGLEHEART in SOUTH AFRICA: Chief Secretary and Territorial Secretary for Women's Ministries. Due to increasing travel restrictions, they are back in the USA and will be working remotely until they transition to their new appointments in the USA Western Territory, effective July 1. At that time they will also receive their promotions to the rank of Colonel. Kelly_Igleheart@SAF.salvationarmy.org



CAPTAINS MIKE & CATHY MICHELS in CARIBBEAN: PR and Development Secretary with additional responsibilities as IT Consultant and Secretary for Spiritual Life Development, League of Mercy Secretary and Retired Officers. They are back in the USA at the moment and will be returning to complete their term, should conditions improve. They are going to be grandparents in June; son Lee and wife Ashlyn will be parents. Cami (16) continues to do well. Pray for the Salvationists in Jamaica. Mike.michels@uss.salvationarmy.org



CAPTAINS ASHISH & SANDRA PAWAR in **AUSTRALIA** along with their 2 daughters, Priya Grace (9) and Alina Rose (6). Multi Cultural Plant Officers in Blacktown. (March 23) "We are now currently on lock down and in our homes but we have been serving at the local supermarket to help during their seniors hour in the morning. This has been a blessing. Many people are scared so I think we were able to be a calming presence. We have reached out individually to our neighbors where we live and to the neighbors in the apartment building where our ministry is located. We have given notes so they have our numbers if they need anything during this time and we were able to sandrapawar@yahoo.com



CAPTAINS ANDY & MONICA SEILER in **ITALY** along with their 2 sons, Elijah (8) and Benjamin (4). Director of Rome Social Centre & Guesthouse, Support Officer to the Finance Dept., CO of the Rome Corps and Chaplaincy for the Social Centre. (March 27) "We feel like we are living through a war, only it is peaceful. The boys and I do not wander off the Army compound. Andy goes to the grocery store about twice a week. We are serving 3 meals a day to about 170 people who live here on the compound. The food is prepared and we hand pack and deliver it to their individual rooms. There is a team of officers and volunteers who take care of all of this work. During these visits the well-being of clients is checked. Our ministry to people living on the street continues with the blessing of the government. We cook fresh hot meals here for several hundred people and deliver them. Our boys are in the house all day. Elijah's school work is difficult to track but we are managing. Our largest concern long-term is about the loss of income, yet regular expenses remain the same. We are blessed and are glad to be here during this time. The Lord is teaching us many things. He is faithful." andyandmonicaseiler@gmail.com



CAPTAINS ROBERT & GLENIS VIERA in **UNITED ARAB EMIRATES** along with daughters, Alana (9) and Leyla (8). Corps Officers in the UAE Corps, as well as, Assistant Regional Officers for the Middle East Region. (March 27) "We are doing ok, in many ways, it feels very safe here. This region experienced MRSA years ago and have learned from that. The government has been proactive in keeping the Virus as contained as possible. There are growing cases and there are concerns, but we are keeping calm. Movement has been dwindling and this weekend has been a lockdown and curfews for sanitation of the roads. We are having virtual meetings and we are keeping in communication with our people through phone calls and messages. Many are going to have difficulties because of jobs not paying them, being laid off, and visa situations. We are helping with some financial assistance, especially for food. Our children have been with us for 3 weeks. Supposedly, they will be back in school the first week of April; however, we think it will be longer. We pray for the US and our friends in the Southern Territory. Things seem a bit grim there and we know that uncertainties are many." <u>Vierarobert32@gmail.com</u>



CAPTAINS CHRISTOPHER & JESSICA WELCH in **ITALY**: along with sons Raphaël Zane (3) and Liam Matteo (5). Corps Officers of the Torre Pellice Corps, Italy and with added responsibility as youth coordinators for the Command. "These are strange times here, but we are all well. For now we are not permitted to leave our town and encouraged to stay at home as much as possible. Schools have been closed since February 20 and we are not allowed to have any corps activities. Until now, there are no cases in our community but it doesn't seem to be slowing down. We have organized some prayer chains and live streamed church meetings. Please pray that people will look to the only true source of peace and security: Jesus!" christopher.welch@esercitodellasalvezza.org



MAJORS DIETER & BARBARA ZIMMERER in SPAIN: along with daughter Christina (20). Corps Officers of the Denia Corps and Directors of Camp Saron Conference Center. (March 24) "We are fine. This virus is surprising everyone with its potential. Of course, every cough and body ache makes us wonder if we may have been infected...the chances are probable. Christina and our 2 volunteers haven't been feeling well, but as the medical facilities have been overwhelmed, it is impossible to even get through to the hotline. As long as no one has respiratory difficulties, we will just continue to monitor and isolate ourselves. Dieter is the only one who goes out for groceries. We've just had our first cancelation and are worried that many more will cancel. This would be disastrous, as the bookings are our only income. Pray that the effects will not leave us in ruin. Dieter's parents are aging and not in the best of health. Mine (Barbara's) dieterzimmerer@hotmail.com

SPECIAL DATES COMING UP (Birthdays unless otherwise noted)								
APRIL		MAY		JU	JUNE		JULY	
9	Benjamin Seiler (5) ITALY	27	Captain Timothy Delaney SOUTH AFRICA	3	Rafaël Zane Welch (4) ITALY	13	Major Mary Gonzalez SPAIN	
12	Major Alan Gonzalez SPAIN	30	Captains Welch (11th Anniv.) ITALY	4	Captain Cathy Michels CARIBBEAN	13	Captains Delaney (18th Anniv.) SOUTH AFRICA	
14	Liam Matteo Welch (6) ITALY			20	Lt. Cols. Igleheart (39th Anniv.) SOUTH AFRICA	22	Captain Chris Welch ITALY	
30	Lt. Colonel Donna Igleheart SOUTH AFRICA			20	Captains Seiler (11th Anniv.) ITALY	30	Christina Zimmerer (21) SPAIN	
30	Captain Jessica Welch ITALY			28	Majors Zimmerer (35th Anniv.) SPAIN			