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Greetings from the North!

If you recall, we had been able to open church at a capacity of 10% in the prior month. Praise the Lord; we are currently at 25% capacity and all regular attenders can meet. We are praying for more residents to attend!

We had ordered some Bibles to distribute. We were excited to have recently received this parcel. It is our plan to include study literature with the Word of God. When an individual studies this course, he will learn the material on his own. I think that this will be more effective and will help us gauge if there is an actual interest in discipleship. One of these packets will be going to Mr. Colton, the gentleman who broke his neck.

The past month had some of the coldest temperatures of the season, with some days dipping down to -53° Celsius (-63° Fahrenheit), including wind chill. This weather, combined with lumbering lockdowns did not provide many opportunities to stay outside. Business still had to be conducted, so Nadine would often dress in layers to walk across town. When we went outdoors, we looked like the Michelin tire man. As I write this, the weather has warmed up to unseasonably warm temperatures. This is a pleasant situation, and it provides a little relief from the harsh winter climate. Some of the family have been frantically shovelling the melting snowbanks around the property to prevent flooding.

I did have a bout with kidney stones last month, so this also limited my functionality for about 3 weeks. The Lord provided gracious relief from that unpleasant experience in His time.

We continue to press on for the Lord and are being noticed. Some neighbourhood children made fun of Paul for being a missionary kid. He took it in stride, and even provided a kind word to the neighbours in the process.

"The way to a man's heart is through his stomach" is a common expression. The family has been able to give Gospel messages to the city grader and loader operators by providing muffins and a tract when they come by to clear the road. We were also able to distribute more muffins and literature to others in the town via other innovative methods.

Some brethren have called and emailed to encourage us and to let us know that they are praying for us. This thoughtfulness means a lot to our family. Thank you for your kindness and concern!

Prayer Requests:

Mr. Colton and his family
Gospel literature distribution
Our children during the periods of seclusion

Serving together,

David, Nadine, Abigail, Paul, and Noah Muckle