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Hello!

As explained in our last update, we are now visiting the UK for this month of July and during this special visit we are releasing anecdotal ministry stories/reflections once per week, with the occasional video or poll.

2nd Special Edition

"You are praying for others to go, but you are already ready, why won't you go?"

We know that in this world there are so many needs but how are we personally coming alongside what God wants to do?

In the 90's, Sister Cristina came to faith and fervently dedicated her home village of Suzleni to prayer because she knew that people living there didn't have access to a church. Despite her self doubts, when God asked her the above question, she began visiting Suzleni at the weekends. She has several qualifications (including hairdressing and social work) which she has used for evangelism in the past but now relies on God to provide financial support through donations and gifts, for her full time ministry in the village. Still after many years, there's not yet a place for believers to gather together but in a makeshift tent, she continues to singularly lead regular Bible studies for children and parents who show interest, and disciple some of the older children so that eventually they can take on the work after her.

OM are dedicated to work amongst the least reached. Sister Cristina is a very challenging example of someone who recognised a need and then took radical action in order to serve. We were privileged to be able to come alongside her for one week and hear great stories from her life experiences. Not all of our responses will be the same but surely, once we understand how awesome God is, our hearts demand us to make some kind of response. Some sow seeds, some water but in the end it is God who will make the plant grow (1 Cor 3). What is your role – what places of need are around you or what things are you passionate about and what can you do about them?



If you have questions, want to know more or think you know someone else who would love to hear what God is doing internationally, **why don't we meet up?!** We are now out of quarantine, in the area of Romford and want to connect with you! Please email, text or call us to arrange this.

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