

# hope

... THROUGH GIVING THANKS

“Let us hold unwaveringly to the **hope** we profess, for he who promised is faithful,” Hebrews 10:23.

*Wow! What a year. Despite illness, hunger, and hardship of all kinds, the Lord continues to remain faithful. One Challenge is privileged to be part of the ongoing kingdom work around the world. This Thanksgiving season, OC is once again taken aback by all the ways in which we are thankful to the Lord. May you find hope and thankfulness this season!*

**Eric & Heather, Black Forest Academy, Germany:**

“All our boarding students were able to make it into Germany with not one single issue. No questions about entry, no missed flights, no delayed flights, and no lost luggage.”

**Sylvia, US-MC Finance:** “The Lord has brought hope into my life in 2020 by entrusting me with the care of my 98-year-old Mom, growing deeper in relationship with her. Though my “bubble” is small, I thank Him for these special days that I can continue to learn from her and share life with her.”

**A couple serving Muslim neighborhoods:**

“God has brought hope to us by multiplying many, many very small groups studying the Word in spite of COVID-19 restrictions.”



**Alisa, Southeast Asia:** “The Lord is bringing hope to our lives in 2020 through us getting to know our neighbors better and discovering that some are Christ-followers too! We are so thankful for a growing community of believers to impact our apartment complex for God’s glory!”

**Jeff, US-MC Mobilization:** “We are filled with hope today because, even though “sending” is on hold due to the pandemic, obedience isn’t! People are

still connecting with us about how to respond to God’s leading in their lives. We are honored to help them take those steps and share with them how to be part of our ministry family.”

**Steve & Renee, England:** “There is encouraging hope in our hearts for the traditionally reserved British, now more open and hungry for deeper conversations. May this give opening to the eyes of their hearts, seeing Jesus in these pandemic Brexit days.”



**Kathie & Dean, US-MC President:** “Seeking to convey Jesus through fun and friendship, we’re reaching out to the homes around us in new ways. During the past months, we’ve hosted six neighbor families for outdoor BBQs. Two kids have come to know Christ so far, and great conversations have emerged with adults. Along the way, we’ve found our own lives enriched and a sense of community deepened. We’re learning that mission begins right where we live.”

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