



Dear Friends,

A very happy and blessed new year to you. We pray that 2018 will be a year where you will know the very real presence of the Lord guiding every step you take.

This short prayer and news update comes with our love and thanks for your kindness and support as we continue to serve the purposes of God through EI. Included is a brief diary / itinerary of **most of our main teaching / ministry** during the first quarter of the year. This will primarily be a mixture of continuing to build the team in Paphos, teaching both in the UK and in Ireland, as well as support and mentoring of numerous pastors and leaders in various local churches, through face to face visits and Skype calls (*not included on itinerary*).

Also new for this year, is our partnership with the team at Kirkby Community Church in Nottinghamshire who have invited us to work with them, in helping prepare for all that the Lord has for them in this next season. It is likely that Kevin will sit as an advisor on their church board for a while as we seek the Lord together.

The ministry in Paphos continues to gather momentum and we are encouraged by a strong sense of God's presence in our meetings. We are currently heading toward a church re-launch later in the year, along with a fresh look and robust team that will help guide the church forward.

We are grateful to and excited by our new and growing relationship with the training team at Christian Churches Ireland who have invited us to share teaching times at their Advanced Leadership School in Dublin. We pray these will be significant times of blessing and impartation for all involved.

Encourage International exists to help bring support, training and mentoring to local churches seeking to grow in all that the Lord has prepared them. Our prayers go out to all those faithful leaders who serve on the frontline week by week. Many of them, like all of us, face times of discouragement along the way, but through your prayers and support we can draw alongside them with a helping hand, a listening ear and a word of encouragement straight from God's powerful and life giving Word.

Thank you so much for journeying with us,
Your friendship is so precious to us,
Blessings and prayers,
Kevin & Michelle



E.I Diary Highlights			
January - April 2018		(Teaching / Speaking)	
DATE	PLACE	EVENT	
<i>1st - 16th January (M - 1st Jan - 18th Feb)</i>	<i>Paphos - Cyprus</i>	<i>General ministry @ PCFI</i>	<i>K & M</i>
19th January	AOG (UK) Central Area	Leading AOG trainee ministers mentoring day	K
20th January	Belper - UK	Speaking @ Grace Chapel - Derbyshire	K
21st January	Kirkby Community Ch (UK)	Sunday Ministry / Preaching	K
23rd - 25th January	Military Chaplaincy HQ - UK	Annual conference / United Board AGM	K
26th - 27th January	Mattersey Hall Bible College (UK)	Lecturing on the M.A Degree course in organisational leadership (Pt 1)	K
28th January	Kirkby Community Church (UK)	Sunday Ministry / Preaching	K
29th January	AOG (UK) Central Area	Teaching @ ministerial training day	K
<i>1st - 18th February</i>	<i>Paphos - Cyprus</i>	<i>General ministry @ PCFI</i>	<i>K & M</i>
21st - 23rd February	Dublin - Ireland	Lecturing @ Advanced Leadership School on Pneumatology (Pt 1)	K & M
24th - 25th February	Life Church - Mansfield Nottinghamshire - UK	Teaching @ leadership training day. Plus: Sunday ministry / preaching	K & M
24th February	Belper (UK)	Speaking @ Grace Chapel - Derbyshire	M
26th February	AOG (UK) Central Area	Chairing interview panel for ministerial training	K
27th Feb - 1st March	Dublin - Ireland	Lecturing @ Advanced Leadership School on Pneumatology (Pt 2)	K & M
2nd - 3rd March	Mattersey Hall Bible College (UK)	Lecturing on the M.A Degree course in organisational leadership (Pt 2)	K
3rd March	Belper (UK)	Speaking @ Grace Chapel - Derbyshire	M
4th March	Calvary - Macclesfield - UK	Sunday Ministry / Preaching	K & M
<i>5th March - 3rd April (M - 13th March - 3rd April)</i>	<i>Paphos - Cyprus</i>	<i>General ministry @ PCFI</i>	<i>K & M</i>
10th March	Long Eaton (UK)	Teaching @ Ladies Conference	M
4th - 6th April	Dublin - Ireland	Attending Christian Churches Ireland National Conference	K & M
<i>8th - 28th April</i>	<i>Paphos - Cyprus</i>	<i>General ministry @ PCFI</i>	<i>K & M</i>
27- 29th April	Cefn Lea (Wales)	Teaching @ Ladies Conference	M
29th April	Spaulding (UK)	Sunday Ministry / Preaching	K

A couple of testimonies and a few prayer points:

NEW BIRTH IN ENGLAND

A lady came forward for prayer and she was shaking, fearful and tearful. After praying for and receiving salvation she started to laugh and said, 'I wish someone had told me that before' before she skipped away. A glorious and obvious new birth in Christ Jesus. People are just waiting to hear the Gospel of Grace.

PRAYER AND FASTING IN CYPRUS

Whilst flying back to Cyprus in November I felt prompted by the Spirit to usher in a time of prayer and fasting for the church in Paphos every Wednesday in November for the purpose of ending the year well. During that time we witnessed some people 'fast' for the very first time and experience a fresh outpouring of the Spirit over their lives, at least one new salvation, wonderful healings and new folks seeking prayer and God, with some others joining the fellowship. We praise God for the opportunity to draw aside and prepare our lives for Him to move more and more.

LET US ADORE HIM

Over Christmas it was an honour to be on the team which distributed chickens, bags of fruit & vegetables, bags of food items & gifts to approx 90 families in Paphos. Two open air Carol services witnessed to the birth of the Saviour of the World and our two Christmas services in church provided the same opportunity with the invitation to come and adore Christ the Lord.



PRAISE & PRAYER POINTS:

Praise God for the Joy of our Salvation and the privilege of joining Him in His work across the world.

Wisdom to know what invitations to accept regarding the ongoing ministry and the sensitivity to hear and discern the Spirit for His Word and way in each situation.

For strength, health and protection as we travel from place to place.