

## September 2020

"Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain."

1 Corinthians 15:58

**COVID-19** – As COVID-19 continues spread, please pray for families who are suffering. Pray that God's protection will be upon us, especially to the students of schools who are planning to resume classes in person.

Pray for governments around the world, that God will continue to give them the wisdom in fighting and responding to the pandemic. Please pray for our team and our partners as we respond together in helping those in need.

**East Africa** – We thank God for diverting and supressing the locusts in the dessert, saving the crops and livestock of farmers! Rainy season is here and it has been a big help for the crops, but as the late season approaches, it is predicted that hotter weather is to be expected. So pray for good and moderate amount of rains in October until December.

**DR Congo** – We praise God with our partners as the government of DRC declared the end of a 2-year outbreak of measles that took more than 7,000 lives.

Please pray for peace and harmony in the Congo, as well as the different parts of Africa like Ethiopia, as they face ethnic tensions and internal violence. Pray for the families affected and our partners' safety, that God's mercy, grace and protection would be upon them.

**Lebanon** – Our partners in Lebanon praises God for the donors who have pledged to support their disaster response! They are also thankful for a new isolation centre that opened. But they are still in need of support.

As people continue to recover from the last month's disaster, please pray that God will strengthen the people as they rebuild. Pray that God will also comfort the people who lost loved ones, that people will draw closer to God and not lose faith.

India – Please pray for families in India as the cases of COVID-19 continues to rise. 75,000 COVID-19 new infections have been reported in just 5 days, making them the fastest in any other country in the world. Pray for our partners' health and safety as they serve those people in most need.

Canadian Foodgrains Bank – Please pray for those who lost loved ones, their homes or livelihoods, or were injured in the explosion in Lebanon earlier this month. As much of the country's food stocks were destroyed, there is great concern about food availability.

Pray for the strength and wisdom of all the staff and volunteers of local and international organizations cooperating to respond to the tremendous need caused by this tragedy.

Latin America – It is estimated that at least 45 million families will fall below the poverty line in Latin America this year. The hyperinflation in Venezuela, violence in Colombia, and the devastation of COVID-19 is too much for the families there. Pray for their protection and strength, that God will be with them as they face all of these challenges.