

## **July 2020**

"When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you."

## Isaiah 43:2

**COVID-19** – Please pray for those who are affected and are still suffering due to COVID-19. Please pray for us and our partners around the world as we work together in responding to those in most need. Pray for the country leaders and governments as they continue to address this pandemic, that the Lord will lead them and provide them wisdom.

Pray for our teams in the field as they continue to serve, that they may be safe and healthy. And as restrictions and lockdowns become less strict for some parts of the world, pray that people would be wise and responsible in going out, that they would practice necessary health and safety protocols, so that second or third waves will be prevented.

**East Africa** – Locusts continue to infest East Africa countries including Ethiopia, South Sudan and Kenya, where we work.

Pray for these countries, as they are already suffering with COVID-19, that God would divert the course of the locusts to an empty land or sea. Pray that the governments of these countries can get these locust under control. Pray for the families who are affected, and for us, that we are able to help those who have lost their crops.

**DR Congo** – Pray for our partners in the Congo as they face internal violence from some rebel groups. Pray for their safety, and that God's mercy, grace and peace would be upon the people. Pray that COVID-19 would not spread in this country, as an outbreak would be devastating. Lebanon – Praise God that some of our activities in Lebanon have been able to resume in the midst of COVID-19. But please continue to pray for the many refugees in the camp, who still are negatively impacted, and who have very little in terms of comfort. Pray for other project proposals, that if approved would help many more in need. Pray for our partners in the area, that God would protect them and keep them safe in the midst of the pandemic.

India – Praise God that none of the families we serve in India have contracted COVID-19 because of the successful training and prevention projects donors helped fund! Despite this, please continue to pray for India as a whole, which has recorded many cases - especially in the crowded slums. Pray for the government, that God's wisdom and guidance would be upon them as they continue to battle this pandemic.

**Canadian Foodgrains Bank** – Please pray for small-scale farmers, especially women who are facing increased risk of hunger during the pandemic. Pray they have the health and strength necessary to continue the farm work that feeds their families. Pray also that their farms flourish despite the new challenges of restricted movement of products to market and reduced access to seeds, tools and other necessary inputs.