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Location: **London, UK**

Mission: **Pastoral ministry and church planting**



As for everyone in the UK, the Christmas period was quite different due to the government's Covid-19 restrictions.

Though we had expected to be back in church by December, the second lockdown forced us to postpone several Christmas events. The events that we held were done virtually. This included our Carol Service and our Christmas day worship service. We also held the New Year crossover service online. One thing we have noted is the increase in the number of those who attended the services.

The children and youth services resumed last week after taking a break for several Sundays. We also expect to hold a leaders training day in mid-February.

Sadly, several of our members have tested positive for Covid-19. Two were hospitalised for more than a week and we thank God for their healing. Sadly in the wider Kenyan community in the UK we have lost several men and women.

The lockdown on the other hand is really affecting most people, especially those with small children. The closing of schools and loss of jobs have made life for some of them very difficult.

Prayer points

- Give thanks for being able to meet online during the government restrictions.
- Thank God for bringing us safely to the new year.
- Pray for healing those who test positive for Covid-19. Pray for those who are still struggling with it.
- Pray for the leaders training this month, that many will attend and that all will go well.
- Pray for Edwin and Anne and the members of the Presbyterian Church of East Africa congregation in London as they worship online, that they would feel united and close despite not being able to meet in person.
- Pray too that many new people who join the online services and respond to the gospel.