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Thomas recently went to comfort a bereaved family. They had lost their loved one to Covid-19. On arrival, he saw three tents had been erected outside the home. The first one was designated for close family members. The second, for those who are already vaccinated. And the third one, for those who are not.

With the arrival in-country of the much-needed vaccine doses, many more people are able to get the protection they need. This week marks the roll out within the prison service. As prison officers and prisoners are immunised, visits by family members can begin again.

There are encouraging signs that the country is starting to make strides in the fight against the pandemic. The government is aiming to vaccinate 10 million people by December. It's a good target, although it represents only 25% of the population. We are relieved Kenya has now been removed from the UK's Red List, making trips possible.

Kenyan churches are open with safety protocols in place, including restrictions on the numbers who can attend. Some Presbyterian Church of East Africa (PCEA) churches have organised a rota system where only certain districts are allowed on a given Sunday. For the children who are going to church that week, they have their Sunday School lesson as usual. For those who are to stay at home, they can watch the same lesson, which has been pre-recorded by the teachers and uploaded to the internet for viewing.

The pandemic has brought changes in how we do our church activities. It is good to be challenged into rethinking the way things are done. It is good to cater for

those staying at home. It is good to use the technology that is available to reach more children and adults with the good news. It is especially good to know that nothing is too difficult for God to do!



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Prayer points

- Praise God for the good supply of vaccines that are now available in Kenya. Pray for the target roll out to be met by the end of 2021.
- Remember those in prison as they look forward to family visits recommencing.
- Pray for the churches who have developed new methods of reaching out to the children and adults within their congregation and beyond.
- Pray for the Theological Education by Extension (TEE) writing team as we finish working on the mentorship guidebook. Ask for God's enabling and strength in this endeavour.