THE HAMMOND FAMILY on LOCKDOWN



The Hammond family (all nine of us, Lenora, Daniela, Christopher, Calvin, Andrea, her husband, Hunter and our two grandsons, Jeremy and Joshua) have made the most of lockdown with daily PT, weekly gardening, cleaning of gutters, trimming of trees, vegetable gardening, sorting out of store rooms, cupboards, shelves, "spring cleaning" (although in our case in the Southern Hemisphere it is actually autumn cleaning), reorganising of our libraries and teaching archery, hockey, Rifle PT and sword fighting to Jeremy and Joshua.

For Lenora and Andrea: a whole host of sewing and quilting projects and for Daniela

numerous art and weaving projects, which frequently keep her up working way past midnight. My daughters have definitely inherited my night owl tendencies and sometimes I have even retired to bed while Andrea and Daniela are still awake busy being creative into the early hours of the morning. Daniela is catching up on painting projects and updating her portfolio. She is grateful for the extra time to be creative.

Both Christopher and Calvin are continuing their online studies and while it is somewhat frustrating to accomplish this, they are grateful that studies are not suspended indefinitely. South Africa has enforced one of the strictest lockdown measures Globally and we are all trying to adjust to the *new normal*.

Lenora has finished her sixth chemo cycle (each cycle is three weeks). A PET scan will be ordered next to see what the tumours are looking like. She hopes that this will be her last cycle as the side effects are not pleasant. Lenora is grateful for supplements that have been made available to her via good friends in the U.S.





So, we are all fitter and better read, having devoured many classics of Charles Dickens, Jane Austen, John Bunyan and JRR Tolkien over the last seven weeks. We have also enjoyed some boardgame nights, some braaivleises, Bible studies and prayer meetings. We have been taking daily devotional readings from A.W. Tozer and Charles Spurgeon's Morning and Evening.

For Sunday services we have followed several livestreams and watched a series of inspiring Dr D James Kennedy sermons. Every Sunday we enjoy hymn singing together. We also organised special family worship services for Good Friday and Resurrection Sunday. During the Easter weekend we also screened *Ben Hur, The Robe* and *Risen*. Sunday night we enjoyed: *Genesis – Paradise Lost*, an excellent new film made in conjunction with Answers in Genesis and Living Waters.



Actually, I think our house and garden are looking better now, despite no garden service for two months! Just shows what you can do yourself. I told Lenora that she could be in trouble with the unions for doing the work of a gardener!

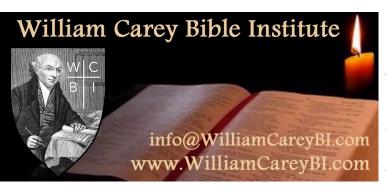
For me writing projects and, increasingly, radio interviews by Skype and radio recordings by Audacity and We Transfer! Staff planning meetings are by Zoom.

Every week I record a <u>From the Frontline</u> podcast and every Friday morning I record, <u>Christian</u> <u>Perspective on the News</u> for Radio Cape Pulpit.
Other radio and TV interviews with programs in England, America and Australia are normally done by Skype.

My online computer/digital competence has had to grow in leaps and bounds as so much has to be done remotely! Those who are on our Frontline Fellowship (FF) E-mail list receive regular On This Day in Missionary History updates, often with links to audio, video, or more in-depth articles on our website. Those on the



Africa Christian Action (ACA) E-mailing list also receive On This Day in Reformation History updates.



Our William Carey Bible Institute (WCBI) is continually uploading new resources and upgrading the online programmes. WCBI is ideal for home educators, missionaries and evangelists. Originally designed to provide online resources for Persecuted Christians in Restricted Access Areas, WCBI is now pleased to make these valuable resources more widely available, particularly in this time when so many are restricted in travel.

I now have 27 books and manuals available as E-Books (https://www.smashwords.com/profile/view/ ChristianLibertyBooks). We have made even more of our resources available online. There are over 80 tracts available in English, with quite a number translated into Afrikaans and some in French, German, Danish, Netherlands and Russian, available on our www.LivingstoneFellowship.co.za website.



Frontline Fellowship has strategically concentrated on Leadership Training and Literature distribution over the last 38 years and we praise God that this continues to bear fruit. "For the Word of God is living and powerful and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit and of joints and marrow and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart." Hebrews 4:12

Thank you very much for all your prayers, encouragement and support.

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