

# "Baan Zion" Children Prison Ministries

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"But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light"

1 Peter 2:9 NKJ

Newsflash December 2020

Dear friends,

First of all, we want to wish you a very blessed 2021 and thank you so very much for all your support given in whatever way during 2020. During the year we also had personal contact with many of you, writing us reactions to our news flashes, sending us encouraging mails or personal messages. We could not have done it without you and together we again were allowed and blessed to make the difference in the lives of His children.



For many among us 2020 maybe was not the best year, being faced with all the imposed restrictions and possible other personal negative effects due to lock downs and travel blocks, job and income loss or maybe even sickness, just to mention a few. But definitely a year, where all of us were called to rely on and trust in the Lord even more as before.

Something we for the year 2021 that lies ahead, certainly will need more and more if we look at the developments in the world and what the world wants to force upon us even further.

All of us need to be strong in the Lord and put on the armour of God (Ephesians 6:10-18 Amp) and we need to be full of the Holy Spirit to get wisdom, insight and discernment on how to react to what the world wants to impose on us and act according to His Word and will.

Looking back at 2020 we, despite of all the negative things happening in the world around us, were very blessed physically, mentally, spiritually and financially.

We cannot say anything else than that the hand of the Lord was upon us.

We, during the 4 months of lock down and school closures, only staying in the house and the garden, became even more tight as a large family.

During this 4 month lock down and the by me compulsory made staying home of staff, our two oldest girls proved themselves as real Ministry leaders and helped me to take care of everything.





Again this year none of our girls or staff had any health issues what so ever.

All of our girls went to school and University and like always studied hard and got high grades.

One of our girls graduated with a Bachelor Degree. Several of our girls successfully did their 3-to-4-month compulsory internships for their University studies.

In addition to growing veggies, fruit and herbs in our own garden, the girls did 3 self-sufficiency projects, two with planting and harvesting corn, one with jewellery.

We were able to bring four new girls into our village project and saved them out of the ongoing cycle of poverty and abuse.



And, at the end of November we were able to buy a so needed fantastic new car for our Ministry.

In all 2020 was an awesome.

blessed and Jesus filled year for Baan Zion as a whole.

We during the year, even though being confronted with high rising prices for almost everything we need and being forced to scale back on our monthly budget, could buy all things needed for our girls. We also had to say goodbye to one full time and one part time staff member this year. But since September all tasks and responsibilities have been taken over by our two oldest girls, that do better than ever and serve next to me as full

time leaders with all of their heart.



Looking at the year ahead we have vision for:

- 1) Expanding our work in the villages, so more young girls can be saved out of poverty and abuse by bringing them into our care.
- 2) To reach more people in the villages with the life changing Gospel of our Lord and saviour Jesus Christ.
- 3) Organize the gospel meeting, we last year had to cancel due to the lock down.
- 4) Buying the land next to our house and start up of our self-sufficiency project.

We are very grateful that you stood next to us in 2020 and helped us again to make the difference in the lives of our girls, the girls and their grandmothers in the villages and the many other people there, that gave their lives to Jesus, were set free and healed. We hope and pray that also this year, we may count on your so needed prayers and support.

May the Lord bless you abundantly, Rev. Dr. Jan and Ps. Ellen Smit

## Thanking points

All of our sponsors
All of our girls and that they are doing so well
All the great blessings we received in 2020

# Prayer points

The girls in Baan Zion
The girls in the villages
The vision to help more girls
The funding for the land/self-sufficiency project
The needed wisdom and insight
The needs of our own family



#### Personal note

We would appreciate prayers for our son Jasper. Some of you know he has cerebral palsy and in fact now is in need of 24/7 care. The last couple of months his health / overall condition is rapidly deteriorating.

If you want to make a donation please see the info below

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