

## **News from Janine Stellatos - Summer 2020**



Dear Friends and Sponsors,

We have all heard the saying, "The show must go on". This term is a theatrical credo from the 19th century, although the idea was much older in that Shakespeare used it in Henry 1V part, 1, 2 & 4, "Play out the play". The proceedings must continue no matter what catastrophy has occurred.

And so it is with Kingdom work! This Gospel of the Kingdom **shall** be preached to all the world as a witness to all nations, then the end shall come. It <u>shall</u> be preached. It <u>must</u> be preached. It <u>will</u> be preached. No"maybe's", no "mights", no "if it's convenient", no

"excuses", no "apathy", no "mediocrity". Francis Assisi said, "Preach the Gospel at ALL times; if necessary use words". So the schools have been closed since March, yet we must continue no matter what occurs. These children need to know the love of Christ now more than ever. And so each day, we continue preaching the Gospel. It might not look the same as in the large crowds. It might not sound the same as over the sound system. Yet quietly each day our teams go out preaching the Gospel at all times using no words other than showing the love of Christ by delivering food and being there for them during these critical times, bringing hope and praying with those facing insurmountable issues. The food deliveries are literally a matter of life and death, and so is the preaching of the Gospel. Paul said, "Woe is me if I don't preach the Gospel". He was compelled to preach. He had to preach. May I put it like this: Woe is them if we don't preach the Gospel. We must reach them before they enter eternity without Christ. If a show must go on because of paying patrons, no matter what happens, then how much more must we continue with all urgency to preach the Gospel because the greatest price that ever was paid, was paid to redeem the souls of men and women. This is not a rehearsal.

## **Ministry**

As said above, ministry looks different during these times, but ministry is not all about platforms, sound systems, worship teams and instruments. Firstly, we should be ministering to the Lord above all else. To minister, "to attend to the needs of someone". He desires our communion with Him, our fellowship (from the English word, "to be bound together"). He commands our love. He calls us to come to Him. Secondly, we can minister to those around us, whether it is family, co-laborers, those we meet in the course of our daily activities. Then there are those who we purpose to go and reach and minister too with the love of Christ and the message of the life changing Gospel. Whether it is one on one, like Jesus at the well in Samaria, around a table having a meal and washing feet, in the house of lepers, publicans and sinners or whether it is to a large crowd of over 5000, the Gospel message must be preached. Whether it is in a school with over 4000 children, in houses of people grieving over the loss of loved ones, or parents grieving over their children robbed of their innocence having been raped while out looking for food, the Gospel must be preached and the Gospel is the power of God unto salvation whether it is preached to a large crowd or an individual as the Spirit of God quickens and pierces the heart of the hearer.







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#### 2 Corinthians 4 3-4

For if our Gospel is hid, it is hid to them who are lost in whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious Gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine on them.













## **Prayer Requests:**

- Please pray that God will provide food for these children and their families during this time of crisis.
- Please pray for the teams delivering food daily that God would give them physical strength.
- Please pray for protection from the virus that God would keep us all in good health.
- Pray for the two young girls that suffered rape while out looking for food that God would heal them from their trauma.
- Please pray for the re-opening of schools and that the virus cases will decrease.

I pray for you! The Lord bless you, and keep you, cause His face to shine upon you, be gracious to you and give you peace. May He protect you, provide for you, preserve your going out and your coming in from this time forth and for evermore. May He give you an open heaven. May He renew you and fill you to overflowing with His presence, His power, His glory, His fire and His anointing. I declare no weapon formed against you shall prosper, that you are the head and not the tail, you are above and not beneath, seated in heavenly places with Christ Jesus, full of Christ who is in you, the hope of glory, in whom we live and move and have our being. I appreciate every one of you. Thank you for holding my arms up.

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