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Dear Friends and Supporters of Beyond Tears Worldwide,

These are unprecedented times in our lives. My wife and I know a Swiss man who is 100 years old. Nazuna asked him if he had experienced anything like this before. He said he was born one year after the Spanish Flu and this is the biggest catastrophe he has experienced other than World War I and II.

BTW had scheduled a visit to Khalste School in Ladakh, India, from May 23-June 15, 2020. However, as you can imagine because of the Covid 19, we must cancel this project. The team was full of seasoned members and I was looking forward to being more aggressive in our witness. We will be seeking new members for the 2021 team and hope to increase the number of participants to eight or ten.

We had also planned to give the Hostel in Leh a boost of energy by improving their physical plant. I have been in touch with Ram, the acting director, and he says that the schools are closed because there are cases of Covid 19 in Leh. The virus was brought in by Iranian carpet dealers, I believe. At present, there are nine confirmed cases in this area.

The biggest obstacle we faced was that the Indian government closed the country to new visas. Even if we wanted to go, we could not legally enter India. There is also limited medical and hospital care in Leh which would be a very serious health risk if we decided to go. We will be discussing the situation with Ram to see if he can delay the playground slab until the summer of 2021.

The July/August 2020 team is at this point on hold. We welcome new team members for the 2021 re-scheduled Leh trip that will take place about July 25-August 15, 2021. Please contact me (ljcbtw@gmail.com) as we need to prepare in advance for this trip. Do not wait if the Lord is encouraging you to participate and please let us know now.

God placed a burden on the heart of Lou Felo to go to the most unreached to share His love. God touched the heart of people like Dona Clair, Bob, Ken, Dale, Mary, Steve, Dave and others to continue his ministry. Committed believers will continue to go as long as they are physically and financially able. But, we need younger members too. We look to prepare the next generation. The next "Billy Graham" to the unreached. Isaiah 52:7 puts it very succinctly..."**How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of those who bring good news, who proclaim peace, who bring good tidings, who proclaim salvation, who say to Zion, 'Your God reigns!'**"

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The upcoming Annual BTW Board Meeting is scheduled in June, 2020, and we will be looking into our 2021 projects. We would love to be able to include you in the conversation.

Fund-raising is an important aspect of our work. We do not run BTW on a negative budget and need a surplus so that we can support young people who want to explore missions. If we do not have those funds, invitations cannot be made.

The Fund-raising Committee had a 2020 goal of raising \$5,000 and worked diligently to meet this goal by tag sales, auctions, craft fairs and online sales/appeals. Let me express my greatest thanks to all of you who worked along side us by donated items, funds and time to make these efforts possible. Without your help, we would not have been able to come anywhere near our goal.

In 2021 we will need to raise \$7,500 which I am afraid will not be accomplished by sales and auctions alone. We have a new initiative and are looking for those God would use to send us again to the unreached people of India. You can become part of the BTW missions effort. You may not be able to join a team but you can send someone by joining our Pledge Program. If we could find 10 supporters who would pledge \$100 per month for 12 months, or 20 supporters who would pledge \$50 per month for 12 months, or 40 supporters who would pledge \$25 per month for 12 months, or a combination of these options, it would enable BTW to increase our efforts in India.

To donate a one-time gift or to pledge to become a 12-month supporter, just follow the simple steps on the BTW website (www.BeyondTearsWorldwide.com) under "donate." The instructions are simple and easy to follow. If you have any questions or problems completing your donation or would like to send a support check, contact Bob Miles at rmiles559@comcast.net.

For more information on Beyond Tears Worldwide, Lou Felo has posted several videos on our activities on youtube.com. Search for MrLouFelo. It will give you a very clear idea of what we do. These trips are not for everyone as it takes a physical toll on the body. Some people cannot go but want to be part of our effort in India. Pray about your part in our ministry.

We depend on your prayers and support. Please continue to stand with us as we spread of God's love and His Word. We ask you to continue to pray for Ram and Neha at the Nepoli Hostel. Ram has been in the Hostel ministry for eleven years and Naha, his wife, has been on staff for seven years. They also need financial support. You may give through BTW on our website by making a special notation for Ram and Neha/Nepali Hostel.

Jay Comfort
Project Director
BTW Interim President