

# Ann and David MacFarlane

Prayer letter, July 2017

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Here it is our last newsletter. We are in the middle of a heat wave now with temperatures as high as 40 degrees. I have two electric fans on as I write this newsletter.

We have been talking about our leaving here for over a year now and suddenly it has become a reality. We will be leaving here at the end of October. We will be available for our home assignment visits from the 13 November to 17 December 2017 and from 7 January to 31 January 2018.

You can find this information on our webpage on the BMS website on the home assignment tab [www.bmsworldmission.org/admacfarlane](http://www.bmsworldmission.org/admacfarlane). Please try to get your requests for a visit in as early as possible. Ann at this very moment is preparing the food parcels for our food bank.

It will be the last time, as it will be handed over to others in September. There has been an increase of food in the last two months and this month we did not need to subsidize it.

It has worked out quite well as our monies donated has all but run out. We have 200,00 euro left for the month of September if we need it. It has been thanks to the generosity of our churches that we have been able to sustain it over these last two years.

The ships with the immigrants are coming in to our port fast and furious.

There has been four to five thousand arrivals since May.

They are running out of places to take them. The last couple of arrivals had to spend a few nights sleeping under the gazebos on the ground at the port.

Keep praying for all the wonderful volunteers that welcome and care for them. We greatly miss our action team Sarah, Jessica, Finlay and Laura with this work and with their participation at the help center and church work.

The church continues to grow numerically and spiritually especially with the immigrants who are staying here at Reggio. We have about 12 Africans attending regularly with us at the moment.

John and Franca from Nigeria have just celebrated the birth of their daughter Ann. Yes, you have guessed it right. They have named her after Ann.

We have so much to tell you of how God has been ever present in many of the situations and how his goodness endures forever. We hope to get the chance to visit you all and to share with you all with what will be our last visit. It has been a wonderful 24 years that the majority of our churches have supported us and we will never forget the wonderful, prayerful and financial support you have given to us.

David and Ann.

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