



# A BAKER'S BULLETIN

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## Praises

- ✦ Wonderful response to special Christmas outreaches
- ✦ Interest for more Bible studies
- ✦ Successful gallbladder surgery
- ✦ Special time at home with my family during surgery recovery

## Prayer Requests

- ✦ Continued recovery and healing from surgery
- ✦ Safe return to England mid-February
- ✦ Gospel conversations in the city center and knocking on doors
- ✦ Work out scheduling to have evangelistic Bible studies with unsaved ladies
- ✦ UK driving test to be completed
- ✦ Wisdom about new ministry opportunities in 2018
- ✦ Wisdom and strength in doing what God has placed me here to do

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## Plans Change...

Life is full of changes - some more unexpected than others! As most of you know, I came home on January 3, so that I could expedite the process of having my gallbladder removed. I will be the first to tell you that this was no where in my plans for 2018, but thankfully, our God is sovereign in all things. My health needs did not take Him by surprise, for which I am so thankful. I was able to get home without any delay just before a big snowstorm in Virginia Beach, and I had my gallbladder removed on January 16. The Lord answered many prayers for a quick scheduling of the surgery and a successful result as well. After having dealt with these issues for more than four months, I am so thankful to be on the recovery side of things. I am gaining strength every day and am looking forward to heading back to England in mid-February to rejoin my co-workers and the folks at Calvary Baptist Church.

## First Christmas Season on the Field

The holiday season was full of ministry opportunities and festive celebrations. Our church sang carols in the city center and at two different shopping centers. We were able to distribute about 800 gospel tracts in about an hour in our own city center while we sang carols. We had a lovely Christmas dinner with the church family and a fun time with the teens at their Christmas party as well. The Christmas Carol Service on December 17 brought a large crowd filled with visitors and parents of our Sunday school children. It was a blessing to see so many people there to hear their children sing in the program. The Gospel was clearly presented, and we are praying that the doors will continue to open for us to minister to those families. Thank you for praying for these extra special times of ministry. Only eternity will tell all the work that the Lord is doing in the hearts and lives of people.

It was definitely a different holiday season for me, but I am thankful for the church family I have in England, who continue to love me and allow me to minister with them. Please pray that we will be even more effective in reaching the people of Peterborough with the Gospel in 2018!

## Happenings in Peterborough



### Christmas Program

Praise the Lord for the 25 children we had participate in the Children's Christmas Program on December 17. It was such a blessing to have them there and for their parents to hear the Gospel!



### Happy New Year!

We rang in the new year with the folks at church during a Watch Night Service. There were lots of fireworks outside while we watched the live broadcast from London as well. I am thankful for a wonderful church family in England and wonderful place to serve the Lord in this coming year!



**Top:** (Left) Natalie and me on New Year's Eve; (Right) Teen Christmas Party

**Middle:** (Left) Singing Carols in a Shopping Center; (Right) Micah and Elijah Reed with me on New Year's Eve

**Bottom:** (Left) The Christmas tree in Peterborough's City Center; (Right) Ulrike Lankey, one of our children's workers and faithful members, and me on New Year's Eve



I enjoyed having my best friend, Suzanne Roberson, here for Christmas and New Year's. I am thankful for good friends the Lord has brought into my life.