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Covid-19 & Sierra Leone

The latest figures I have: 782 confirmed cases with 45 recorded deaths, 297 recovered. They are still having social distancing restrictions, including school closures, but at the moment it seems that the control measures in place are containing things. There is no furlough scheme in place, so all the staff at the schools that I support are not being paid which is creating problems. I am trying to help, but finances are limited as I have had to postpone all my fund raising talks so cash flow has become a real issue. I am trying to fund a one-off gratuity payment to the teachers at the four main schools I support, 80+ staff in total. If anyone is interested in supporting this scheme please contact me by e-mail for further details. ANY support would be GREATLY appreciated.

Hair raising for AlansAfrica!

I received an e-mail from a friend entitled

Hair today, gone tomorrow – it read

Alan, Just read you latest News & saw the “buzz cut” story. I was needing a haircut, however, I decided that a barbers isn’t exactly the place for social distancing so I went on the internet and bought a hair trimmer. I then decided to take the opportunity to see what I would look like as a skinhead. I am self isolating so who would see me? So, I set a rear mirror up in my shower room and set my clippers on 2 and sheared away with great effect - glad it isn’t winter though since it is now quite draughty around the ears. Anyway, since your Bristol friend raised £60 by his (wife’s) efforts, I think that the least I can do is to match donate, so here’s £60.

As time goes by every day for me is a bad hair day so I am contemplating letting my daughter, Kate, loose with the dog grooming clippers and possibly doing it on Zoom to give people a laugh !! If you are interested in sponsoring me please get in touch

“Auntie” Jean & Momoh

In my last News I said I had received a donation from Jean, a regular supporter. Pastor Mark visited Momoh & his family, handing over a 50 kilo sack of rice & general provisions which will keep them going for a month - many thanks Jean.



Banbury International Community School

The water harvesting project at the school was completed about 10 days ago just in time for the start of the rainy season. My sincere thanks to the Rotary Club of Witney and Rotary District 1090 for providing matched funding for the project.



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