



## NEWSLETTER

Greetings dear friends!

These are peculiar and difficult times. Many people suffer, both under the Corona virus as well as under its' financial repercussions. My hope is that you have not been affected by these difficulties, but if you have then I pray that God would let His care and power carry you through.

The economic consequences for people in the developing world are incomprehensible, especially for the day laborers who run out of money after only a number of days and cannot afford to buy food. The UN expects 400 million people to be at risk of starvation and another 1.6bn people at risk of losing their jobs. We pray to God that FBS would be a bigger help than ever before once the shutdown ends.

For our part, we are not able to have classes anywhere in the world right now, and our missionaries in Sri Lanka, B-Å and Annika Svensson, have had to temporarily return to Sweden. I have also had to cancel a number of trainings in Africa that were planned for the spring. However, in the midst of this adversity there is always a way forward: we have launched FBS online in Brazil, we are going to host an online course in Sweden in the fall and soon we expect to be able to launch the English version of the course on our website.



What we are doing online is a complement to gathering in groups, since we view personal encounters between people that build trust and rapport to be vital. Hence, an important part of FBS is to help people join networks and the online courses cannot replace this.

Please continue to pray for us, that we can be of greater help than ever before going forward!

God bless you

Marco Strömberg

PS. A family from Gothenburg visited B-Å and Annika in Sri Lanka and their daughter Alexandra made the following short film: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VlqJLmr6Rjs&t=17s>