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Greetings!

I hope you have kept well and safe over the past heartbreaking months. It is a real pleasure to repeat my sincere thanks for your support of our girls in Kenya and for other folk in great need through our CYCLING PILGRIMAGES over the years. Thank you for the generous encouragement you have given me, my daughter Ruth and son Chris, as they make sure my bike keeps rolling. I had thought of delaying this year's effort – having in mind the real suffering of many in our country. Then I realised the plight of our friends in Kenya: 'It's no good closing the gate when the horse has left.' So, our family team will set off for a very special Pilgrimage on Saturday 28th June. We plan to use the cycle paths for most of the ride from West Kirby to Chester. The sooner our donations get to those in need, the better.

The location for our Pilgrimage is Chester's famous magnificent ancient Norman Church of St John's, a Royal Foundation in 689 A.D. and raised from Minster to the status of Cathedral in 1075. At the Reformation, it became the Parish Church of St. John the Baptist, a truly magnificent Norman church partly integrated with sections of the old

cathedral. It was a very holy place over the centuries for countless pilgrims, especially as it claimed to hold a piece of the True Cross of Christ. People from all over the world visit Chester and its Cathedral but miss the original Cathedral outside of the City Walls, located in Vicars Lane, Chester, CH1 1SN by the park overlooking the River Dee. We would not miss this sacred place as we stand and pray where millions have prayed to the Glory of our Lord Jesus. We shall take seriously the wonderful work of the Barnabas Fund in reaching out to some of the world's neediest people. Our efforts this year will continue to support girls and young ladies in Kenya rescued from F.G.M. and forced marriages. Additionally, we plan to help assist those who have lost their crops and food supplies to the recent huge locust swarms in East Africa.

I thank you most gratefully for such prayer and help as you can offer.

Sincere Blessings,

JOHN BOWERS

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Please assign my donation of £.....

Please tick, as appropriate.

- My gift is for the Cana Girls Rescue Home, Kenya (ref 25-663)
 or for Food aid to locust swarm victims (ref 00-1313)
 or an equal share

All donations go 100% to the projects

Cheques payable to Barnabas Fund

Barnabas Fund has provided the information and some photographs for this sponsored event. However it is the initiative of Canon John Bowers and all queries and questions should be addressed to him at the above address.

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