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# Carrie On Africa



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## FINAL DAYS....

This is my last 'Carrie on Africa' newsletter from Kenya. I am now in my final days and so life is busy with a healthy mix of work, packing up my home, office and life but also fun times with friends to say goodbye.

I am making hard decisions about what to do with my household items: keep, donate, sell and 'not sure'! There are too many things in the 'not sure' category but even so I am making good progress. I recently sorted out all my papers (confidential documents etc) and spent a happy few hours, shredding it all. At the end there were four giant bags full! Gifting items to friends and colleagues has been important too. I set up a 'pop up' duka (shop) outside my office to sell small household items. There has been a steady flow of customers (work colleagues) and it has been fun haggling.

I sent some of my belongings back to the UK by freight with another family which was a huge blessing. My house is now looking a little empty but it is still comfortable and home.

## COVID 19 IN KENYA

Kenya and many other African countries are on the brink of or experiencing another wave of Covid 19. In Kenya, the Covid numbers are increasing, therefore the curfew hours and social distancing measures remain in place.

Only 1.5% of the population in Kenya have been double vaccinated. Africa really needs more vaccines now. The global response to Covid is essential, because we know that no-one is safe until everyone is safe.

## MINISTRY AND TRAVELS

My work has been especially busy over the last couple of months but is becoming calmer as I approach my final work day this Friday. There have been farewells and leaving parties over the last few weeks and still a few more to come.

As a result of the UK's travel red list, all direct flights between Kenya and the UK have been cancelled including my BA flight. I am now flying to Heathrow via Doha on the 1<sup>st</sup> August. The red list situation means I will go into mandatory hotel quarantine for eleven nights once I arrive in London. During my time in quarantine I intend to continue working but have also set myself some projects (reading, movies, hotel room fitness routines!) to help survive the isolation. My Freedom Day will be Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> August – if all goes to plan!

Once I am 'free' I will stay at Mum's in Havant until the end of September. In this period I will be on leave/Home Assignment so I am really looking forward to time with family, friends and supporters. In particular, I am looking forward to time in Bishop's Waltham and the church communities.

## PRAYERS PLEASE

Very soon my journey back to the UK begins but I know that travel is very uncertain so please keep me in your prayers over the coming weeks. In my last email I asked you to put the kettle on for my return.... Let's hope that we shall soon be enjoying that cuppa together and cake too!

# FAREWELL PARTIES



**Friends and Cake!**