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Dear Friends,

WHAT a difference a day makes! Hardly had I shared with you last month about Margaret's and my planned visit to Uganda when following an appointment to the medical centre, we were warned against going, and primarily because of the risk of yellow fever – especially at our ages! Apparently, once you 'climb over' 60, the risk multiplies by five, and that was a risk we were not prepared to take.

Instead, we are going to France to spend time with Prospects – another charity close to our hearts – in a summer camp where much good Christian work is taking place for and with people with learning difficulties.

You see, one door may close, but God opens another one – again and again. Then, in early July, I shall spend time in quiet reflection on a small island off Tenby with Brother Titus – a Dutch monk who used to be a racing driver!

I cannot wait. And in mid-August several members of the Andersen family will be journeying to Denmark to meet with my family there. I guess the three months sabbatical will fly, and it is good to have something lined up for each of the three months.

During the sabbatical I shall give The Thought – and you – a break! Believe it or not, this is the 20th Thought since I arrived on these shores. Doesn't time fly? But God – and the editor – willing I shall hope to be back again with new Thoughts come September. Unless by then God has put other thoughts about Thoughts into my head? Who knows? Have a great summer. I know that for Margaret and me it will be a really interesting one with lots of variety, including precious quality time together. Continue to enjoy Teen Talk – I think this is such a helpful and worthwhile column which I always read with great interest – and remember as I said before, nothing in life is static, we must be prepared to move as the Spirit moves, and initial disappointments (Uganda) can soon develop into new opportunities (France).

God bless you until next time.

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the weak



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