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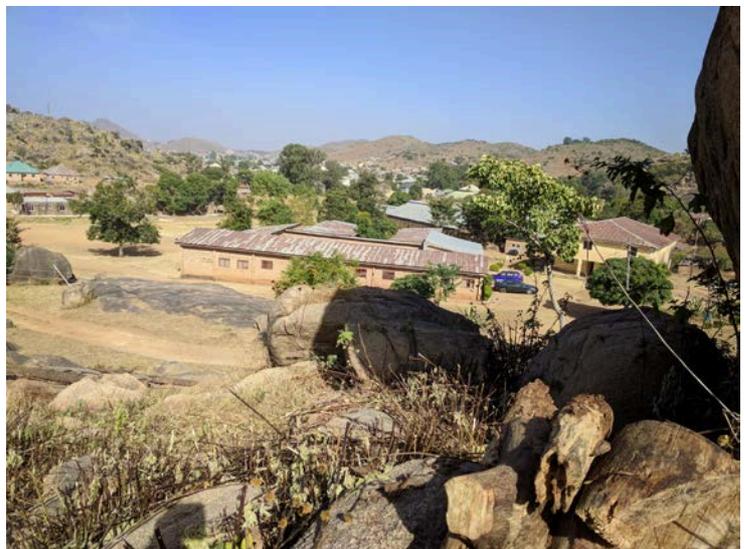
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## ***Easter Greetings !***

It's Saturday morning, but let me say "Happy Easter" in advance, as I shall be a bit busy in church tomorrow morning! I'm not very good at keeping up with all my family and friends, so let me at least send a quick "general epistle" to say Hello. Thank you so very, very much for all your prayers, love and kindness.

I do hope that all are well, and that those of you in UK have really enjoyed having an extended winter!! Wow! The pictures on the news looked a bit challenging! Our weather too is doing all sorts of funny things and we have now gone back to the weather we would expect over Christmas /New Year. But no snow - just thick layers of dust.

This photo is just to show you a bit of the Christian Institute - looking down on it from the rocks. The building in the centre is admin /classrooms, and the purple car is mine. However, in December the Ven Dr. Godwin Makabi took over as the one in charge of the CI. This is a good move because it is vital that young able people take up responsibility while those of us who are older(!!) are still around to support etc. I still go in to teach if / when required, and indeed I have had to suddenly take up the co-ordinating and oversight of the online PGD and Master's programmes we are beginning with Trinity School for Ministry in the USA. The person who was doing this was suddenly called to Abuja to become the General Secretary of the Church of Nigeria, so someone else had to fill the gap quickly. But lest you think I am sometimes sitting around doing nothing, let me add that there is still plenty to do in the Diocesan office as Bishop's Admin Chaplain!!! (Though I did actually find time at Christmas to make some much needed new curtains!)



The general situation in Nigeria is not encouraging. Most of the news does not get into the international press, though if you want to find out a bit you could look for articles on Nigeria at <http://www.globalchristiannews.org>. At least 40 villages in this area have been completely destroyed. Please join us in praying for a stop to the violence, destruction and killings here and throughout the world. Thank God we are not in the situation of Syria: a Sister wrote from Damascus: "We have to carry on. Life is stronger than death. We don't know how long this violence will continue but it can't last forever. The Lord has been good to us. So far, none of us Sisters have been hurt but so many others have suffered. Please pray for us. The only way forward for us is prayer." What she says is true for all nations. But the joy and the victory of the resurrection can never be overcome!! May you know the wonder and the peace of Easter. With my love to you all,

Sue /Susan

PS Having come to UK three times in the last two years, I am not sure that I shall come this year: I will let you know.