



# Douglas Dispatch

Nov & Dec 2010

## We are so thankful to the Lord

We are truly blessed.

We are thankful for all the good ministries that God has given us in our current location. We have seen lives changed in our church planting, Scripture Classes in the public schools, English As A Second Language classes to migrant adults, friendships, mentoring, and more.

As we prepare to wrap up our ministry in this local area we are ever mindful that any good that has been done is all from God Himself. It is He who called us, equipped us, empowered us, and through your prayers sustained us. We could never have enough time to tell of all the wonderful things God has done in the lives of Sam, Rob, Phillip,



Jenny, Veronica, Sean, and many many more. I guess we will use eternity to worship God more as we learn just "how wonderful are all His works"! Many others have heard of our great God and have yet to follow Him. We are glad that God's work is in no way limited to our presence.

## The ministry advances

Not only is this time of year a time of thanksgiving, but also a celebration of His birth. Christmas in Australia is GREAT! This year we will have the opportunity to celebrate in a new location. God has led us to restart a church in the Corrimal NSW area. This is a suburb south of Sydney, and close to the city of Wollongong. The church there has four buildings on their property. They are debt free. However, the church has only 3 members. They have asked for a church planter to come in and restart them- resetting their purpose from survival to that



We give thanks for His plentiful blessings!

of a sound vibrant church and getting them back on the road to growth, outreach, and community impact.

Pray that God would guide them and us in the days ahead. Leading up to Christmas we will reach out in many ways. After Christmas we will be evaluating constitution, purpose statement, and strategic plan for the weeks and years ahead.

The one thing we do not have is a coworker. We have been asking you to pray with us about this matter, and we have yet to see God's supply. Keep praying. Without help we will be doing the work of four or five couples.

## Family life

Amy has finished all her high school requirements! We are so excited for her. She plans to work and save money to go to a Christian college in the USA starting fall 2011. Pray that she can find good work in our new location that pays well and helps her save a lot.

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Luke is having the most problem adjusting to the big changes coming. As a 15 year old there will be many hard adjustments to come. He will be in a new school, have NO youth in the church at the beginning, be an hour and a half from all his friends, and face many other challenges. Please pray for him.

## Church plant

Barb and I are eager to leave this time of research behind and wade deep into church planting ministry again! While many things will be different this time, like having usable buildings, many things are always the same. We need to bring focus, inspire evangelism and discipleship, make new contacts in the community, and re-establish prayer. We are so eager to be there and watch God at work in that place. (If any handymen need a place to escape the northern winter the buildings sure could use a fresh coat of paint, new tin roof and more. Contact us if you are interested.)

We pray that the end of the year will give you many opportunities to both enjoy God and make Him known.

## Praise the Lord

- Scripture teaching in the public school has been fruitful
- ESL ministry this year was productive
- Church planting research is finished
- Amy's transition out of school

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## Pray with us

- A coworker in the ministry in Corrimal
- An effective start to this new ministry
- Selling our house
- The smooth transition for our children

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