



3rd Quarter 2018

Dear Co-laborers,

Well, here we are...September already! How fast this year is going! We are looking forward to the summer coming. We will not miss the sicknesses that we have had and the nearly freezing temperatures (with no centralized heating that is common in so many houses here). However, spiders, cockroaches, and ants seem to come out of the woodwork as soon as the summer hits.

With warmer temperatures and a significant reduction in rain, we have been able to get the gospel out to around 200 houses in just the past few weeks! One man wanted to discuss everything from infant baptism to why the church meets on Sundays, but we look forward to what God will do with His Word as we know that it "does not return unto (Him) void," but accomplishes the purpose that He pleases.

We are also excited to announce that Sherrie is going to begin sign language classes next month. As many of you may remember, she spent many of her years before missions working with the deaf in the US. However, the sign language in Australia is totally different. She loves the deaf community, and although she has tried to get involved in the Australian deaf community, every time things have come up, God has clearly shut that door on her being able to do that. Now, however, God has opened the door widely, and she is excited to start this new endeavor.

We are also looking forward to our annual Thanksgiving Day dinner on November 11. We are inviting many people; and although we have already had an opportunity to witness to some of those who will be invited, we are hoping to have many that have not yet heard the gospel.

Please pray with us about the following things:

1. Please pray that, as the gospel goes out, we will see fruit from our labors and "fruit that abounds to your account."
2. Please pray as Sherrie learns the Australian sign language that God will help her to retain what she is learning and that doors will open for her in the deaf community.
3. Please pray for our Thanksgiving dinner—we would love to see some souls saved as a result of that outreach.

To the praise of His glory,

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