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Witnessing to 2 boys in CIA



Goodbye to Clarisa family



Sick grandbaby (Lilia)



Praises

- 4 salvations ● Church being faithful in Outreach ● Granddaughter doing better ● Man with cancer doing better ● Debbie's discipleship with a young teen is going well.

Prayers

- Souls to be saved ● Logan & Brittany's Deputation

We have been holding our CIA (Champions In Action) Club for a few years now. We have had a good group of kids coming until COVID lockdown happened. After we came out of lockdown it was hard to get the kids back. We now have a much smaller group of kids and they are all boys!! We started a series on the battles in the Bible with different characteristics such as valor, obedience, wisdom and initiative. We always give the Gospel. The first Friday of May we had an opportunity to get into a really good conversation with two of our older students, who are brothers. That night they talked to their mom and bowed their heads and asked Jesus to be their Saviour. Praise the Lord!!



The first part of June we had to say "goodbye" to a dear family in our church, who have been with us for about 6 years. The husband had a hard time finding a job in our area, so he had to spread out his search and was offered a job in Dunedin; located at the very bottom of the South Island. There is a very good Church in Dunedin, which they are attending. We are happy that God is provided for their needs, but they will be sorely missed.

In June we saw a lot of sickness. Our intern's wife, Nicole, has been suffering with migraine headaches. While at work, she passed out and was taken to the emergency room. They initially thought she had a stroke, but it turned out to be migraine related. That same week an older lady in our church did have a stroke, but her recovery has been good. Shortly after that, our granddaughter, Lilia, was admitted to the hospital with Bronchitis. It was hard seeing her so sick, but after four days in the hospital and being on antibiotics, she is doing well. On June 21st our son-in-law, Rundell, had major jaw surgery and is on the road to recovery.

A young lady from Zimbabwe start attending our church in June. Guy spoke to her about her salvation, and she made a decision to received Christ as her Saviour. Our intern's wife, Nicole, is doing discipleship with her right now and she will be baptized soon. Shortly after that we received a call from a lady who had attended our church about 5 years ago. She was going through a rough time with her marriage and reached out to us for help. After speaking with her, she realized she was not saved and asked Jesus to save her. We began praying for their marriage and her husband. Two weeks later the husband asked to meet with me, which has not yet happened. Please pray, concerning this meeting and that their marriage can be restored.

The man in our church who has a cancerous tumor in his head, has finished his chemotherapy and is now having radiation treatments. He has a feeding tube in his belly, as it is too difficult to swallow. He seems to be doing well and has a great attitude. Please continue to pray for his health.

We have been seeing many visitors lately; praise the Lord for His faithfulness. One of our members has been bringing visitors regularly.

Thank you so much for your continual prayers and support of these ministries. May God richly bless you for your faithfulness. God bless, your Missionaries in New Zealand: Guy & Debbie Bankston