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— taking the soul-saving gospel to a lost and dying world —



Family and Coworkers

The Moshers in New Zealand

The Lord has blessed us with a great work. Thank you to those who sacrifice for us.

Work in Porirua and Wellington

Family and Coworkers

Last Wednesday, the Rich family (Chris, Marion, Flo, and Penny) arrived in Wellington to begin their three-year commitment to the work in New Zealand. They have already begun helping our work in Porirua, but their primary focus will be in the Hutt Valley. Chris is Kristen's brother, so it's great to have family here for the holidays and beyond!

Todd Latham, the other member of their team, is due to land in Wellington on the third of January.

Passing of Tessa Temata

The world has felt a great loss this past week at the passing of a core member of the Wellington church. Tessa Temata lived with cancer for several years. For most of her battle, she was able to live a very productive life. We knew her as a faithful sister in Christ, always willing to do good to all people, especially to those of the household of faith. However, the rest of the world knew her as Her Excellency, the High Commissioner of New Zealand to the Cook Islands. Councils around the country flew flags at half mast to honor her memory.



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The funeral service was held at the Wellington church building, and the building was the fullest anyone had ever seen it. With well over 200 people, we had the main service in the auditorium, and we live streamed it to another sitting area upstairs. Tessa is surely missed here, but we are thankful for the victory in Christ she enjoys now.

Sick Local Christian

Now that we are thinking about the effects of cancer on the body, will you consider helping my friend and brother in Christ, Pedja? John Jones and I had the pleasure of teaching and baptizing Pedja in May 2014. He has been a zealous and evangelistic Christian since. Now, he is suffering from CLL (chronic lymphatic leukemia). He is looking for financial help in order to receive treatment. Can you spare a little? Every little bit helps. Click here or search "Pedja" on givealittle.co.nz.

Visitors from France

A couple of Sundays ago, right as worship was beginning in Porirua, we had a couple of visitors walk in. They participated in worship and Bible class. We got to know them—Felicia and Kevin—and found out they were visiting New Zealand for eight months from France. They started their journey in Northland and slowly made their way to Wellington. They said, "We have searched for evangelical churches along the way, but this is the first time we found Christians in New Zealand who were more interested in pleasing God than pleasing people. All other churches that we visited were all about concerts and motivational speeches." We had them in our home the next day, and we spent hours studying the Bible together. They admitted that the things I showed them in their Bible was new to them, but they were committed to doing whatever the Bible says. They went to the South Island the next day, and I sent them with copies of my books and contact information for Christians down south.

Visitors from Hawaii

The following week, we were blessed by a visit from Gary and Nelda Lyons from Hawaii. Gary brought us a lesson on the holiness of God, and in turn, I gave them a tour of Wellington. They were a blessing to us.

Bear Valley Bible Institute-New Zealand

Joziah Townsend has officially graduated! On the first of December, we held a graduation at the Wellington church building. Todd O'Donnell came down from Foxton and delivered a lesson on the impact even one Christian can make on the world for Christ. Trevor Major from Auckland also flew down and shared in the keynote speech. In addition to Joziah, we also honored our two new full-time students: Monique Knopert and Michelle Stretch. Joziah plans to attend university next year and study psychology. Pray for him as he continues to use his knowledge and skills for the kingdom of God. Monique and Michelle hope to graduate next year.

Lance Mosher Books

This past week, I have had the chance to meet with Jed Brophy and Shane Rangi. They are best known for their roles in the *Lord of the Rings* and *Hobbit* films. I gave them personal copies of *Transformed*. More details will be provided soon through the <u>Lance Mosher Books newsletter</u>. Every week, I find people to give books to, and I hear of others around the world doing the same. Pray for seeds to be planted and watered.

Family News

This past week, we experienced our biggest thunderstorm since living in New Zealand. It seemed like a typical summer thunderstorm in Tennessee, but we just aren't used to them in NZ. That was evident when social media was filled the next day with videos from locals of the lightning.

I will be driving up to Auckland tomorrow to film a wedding of a Christian couple.

Silas and Asher are very happy to have their cousins staying with us. They play together all day, every day. Silas has his last swim lessons of the year today.

We hope your Christmas and New Year are amazing. Thank you for your love and support of our work. God bless you! Keep serving Him.

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