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Dear Praying Friends,

"Then the heathen will know ...that I the Lord build the ruined places, and plant that was desolate." Jeremiah, the weeping prophet, had seen the sad condition of the people around him who had, thus far, lived their lives selfishly and were ruined by sin. The Lord spoke to Jeremiah these words of hope in Jeremiah 36:36. When we reach the bottom and seem hopeless and helpless that is when the Lord often times shows the marvellous power of His grace toward us. I am glad the Lord is still able to work with people whom others have counted as hopeless. He builds the ruined places! Amen! What a wonderful truth to take with us to a world in need of hope.

The Lord did some wonderful things for us over the last month. In our "Super Saturday" youth outreach the Lord brought forty young people out to participate in a day of games, food and the Gospel. Several new contacts were made and one family has now started attending church as a result of Super Saturday. One of the children of that family asked the Lord into her heart at camp. Please pray for the Newport family and for the salvation of Mom and Dad.

At the two weeks of camp, during school holidays, we saw several decisions made to trust Christ and others heard clearly for the first time without distraction about their need for Christ. Some of our kids that were already Christians also made decisions to walk closer to the Lord in those areas they were convicted about.

Is teaching Religious Education (R.E) classes worth the time? Well, I am even more sure that it is now! One high school kid and his friends passed me in the local mall during school holidays. I noticed that he recognised me as being his R. E teacher last year. After he had passed me he spoke to his friends and called out to me to wait. He came up and said "Mr. Kelly, I know I was mean to you and cut up a lot in R.E.'s last year, but I wanted you to know that I am a Christian now." He wasn't underestimating how he had acted in my classes with him, but isn't it amazing how God can turn a heart that is against him to one that is tender to His Word!

Thank you for your prayers and financial support. Please continue to pray for R.E's and youth groups. Pray for Becca and I to have the right balance of ministry to and with our family, church family, and others. Please pray for Kathy Jones, as she continues to battle cancer in her liver and bowels.

Love from downunder, Kelly, Becca, Reese, Bryce and Emmalyn