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Missionaries to

QUEENSLAND, AUSTRALIA



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Dear Praying Friends,

My son, hear the instruction of thy father, and forsake not the law of thy mother (Proverbs 1:8). Each year, the first Sunday in September is Father's Day in Australia. This year's Father's Day message was an exhortation from Proverbs to fathers to be faithful to their wives, and to children to be submissive to the parents. Pray for our Australian men that they will be godly, loving leaders in their homes.

Some have asked me about specifics of the difficulties mentioned in our last prayer letter. We have lost approximately a third of our congregation in the last nine months. Some have moved to other towns. Some left because of doctrinal differences. Others left because of personality clashes with other members, and a few just left and are not in church at all. The decline has been discouraging to those who have stayed. Please pray that our church folks will focus on Christ and our responsibility to be faithful to bring others to Christ and to disciple them. We water and plant, but God gives the increase (and at times the decreases).

There is only one more term until school holidays. We have two youth rallies planned in that time, as well as an "Each One, Reach One" Sunday that is planned for next month. These have proven to be great opportunities to minister to both youth and their parents. Please pray for open hearts to receive the invitations given and for safety in the activities.

Thank you for the cards and emails we received around the anniversary times of Emmalyn's death and birthday. We appreciate your thoughts and prayers.

Thank you for praying for us, and for graciously giving to help us reach Australians for Christ.

Love, Kelly, Becca, Reese, and Bryce