Kelly & Rebekah Gilliam Missionaries to

QUEENSLAND, AUSTRALIA



Sending Church: Fall Creek Baptist Church 3520 Fall Creek Church Road Jonesville, NC 28642

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Dear Praying Friends,

And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins (Matthew 1:21). Welcome to "Christmas in July!" I realize that Christmas is actually five or so months away, but our church here has an annual "Christmas in July" fellowship nonetheless. The men of the church make a homemade soup of their choice (It's "winter" time here or as close as we get). Everyone else brings salad and dessert to share. After the meal we have a message about Christ Jesus and the reason He came. Then we have an auction with M&M's as money and bid on a mixture of gifts, some worth \$5 or so and some worthless. I usually end up with the not so good gifts, but have a great time. It has been a good opportunity to invite friends, family, neighbours and co-workers to hear the Gospel. Please pray for this activity and for continued outreach opportunities from it.

The Bible Clubs went extremely well, though attendance numbers were down. Two children who regularly attend Religious Education classes (RE's) came to the Bible club. They also came to camp during school holidays and both made professions of faith. Please pray that we will be able to follow up with discipleship.





Super Saturday also went well. Along with the Bob Jones students who helped, we had about the same in attendance as last year (several new ones, plus some that had come in previous years). One family, whose children attend RE's also came to church the following Sunday. RE's have been a great way to meet young people and their parents, not to mention the school staff that we have opportunity to get to know better.

Dr John O'Malley, from our mission agency, spent a few days with us. It was great to have him with us as we were encouraged by his visit and challenged by his preaching. Some friends that I play tennis with on Thursday nights came to church the same weekend. What a blessing! Please pray that the Lord continues to open doors of witness and ministry.

We are preparing to come to the States soon (October 22, 2013 through to January 22, 2014). I am trying to organize a furlough schedule for our time there. Please pray for us as we endeavour to get things organized for here (Australia) and for there (the States).

Thank you for co-labouring with us, both through your prayers and financial support.

With our love and prayers, Kelly Gilliam