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## October 2016 News

Dear Friends and Family,

In October, we had our first annual Thanksgiving service at church. During the morning service, a few people shared testimonies of things for which they were grateful. Others wrote their testimonies down on small pieces of paper which were then put on a display in the fellowship hall for others to see. The message for the morning service was about following Jesus' example of thankfulness. He was thankful for everyday necessities (Matt. 15:32-39), for blessings others received (Matt. 16:1-12, especially verse 5), for things others took for granted (John 6:22-27), and for answered prayer (John 11:41). He taught that giving thanks to God brings glory to God (Luke 17:11-19), and that giving thanks does not necessarily bring glory to God (Luke 18:9-14). Visitors had been invited to this special service and some came-praise the Lord. We had a fellowship lunch after the morning service and then an afternoon service.

We also had our annual October continuous cricket match. This year's match was held at the Aitkenvale Primary School's activity hall. Because of the shape of the hall, we alternated back and forth between continuous cricket and dodge ball. All the children had a great time and enjoyed both games. We had about fifty children to attend. For about ten of them, it was their first continuous cricket match. A message was given from 1 John 5:13 on "Don't leave your relationship with God to chance."

As of late, we had had a mother and her two children from Africa attending church. Her husband was a pastor and had been killed for standing for what was right. She and her children fled to a refugee camp in Africa and stayed there for six years. Refugee camps are not pleasant to say the least. They have been in Australia for about four months. Things like this really open our eyes to how gracious God is to us. Please pray that we are able to minister effectively to this family.

The end of the school year activities are quickly approaching. These activities always provide many opportunities to share the gospel with young and old alike. Also, please pray for the young people as they finish their school exams.

Thank you for praying for us as we seek to reach the people of Townsville for Christ. Thank you for giving so graciously and faithfully to the ministry here. We pray that you will have a wonderful Thanksgiving.

With our love and prayers,

Kelly, Becca, Clarisse and Bryce

*"... the harvest truly is plenteous, but the labourers are few; Pray ye the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest." —*