## Kelly & Rebekah Gilliam

Missionaries to

## QUEENSLAND, AUSTRALIA



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

September 2017 News

Dear Friends and Family,

In Genesis 2:24, the Bible states, "Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh." According to the laws of Australia, marriage "defined as the voluntary union for life of one man and one woman, to the exclusion of all others." The reason I bring attention to this law is that the Australian people will most likely vote in September for or against allowing the law to stand as is or to change it. No matter the outcome of the vote, lawmakers will consider the will of the people and make the law official in parliament. The debate has stirred strong emotions on both sides of the issue. Please pray for Australia as a country that we will keep marriage between a man and a woman.

Since our last prayer letter in July, we have continued to disciple one of those who recently trusted Christ as Savior and will soon baptize him. Please pray for him as he continues to grow in Christ. He has turned his back on drugs and alcohol to follow Christ. Please pray that old acquaintances do not lead him astray.

In August, we had a friends and family Sunday. Several people used the opportunity to invite, friends, family and co-workers to church. The service went well and some new contacts were made. In October, we will be having a thanksgiving service. In Australia, we do not have a Thanksgiving holiday. We did this last year and had several visitors. We also have a continuous cricket match coming up soon. Please pray for safety during the cricket match and for many visitors to each of the outreaches.

We have also started providing breakfast to one of the small high schools in town. The school is a newly started school designed for those who are very close to quitting school altogether. The school is in close proximity to the church. We are glad to help practically in this way. Please pray that we will be able to reach out with the gospel to the children too.

Thank you for praying for us and for giving so graciously and faithfully to the ministry here.

With our love and prayers,

Kelly, Becca, Clarisse and Bryce