From the Grove Family to New Zealand!

"Verily, verily, I say unto you, fixcept a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone: but if it die, it bringeth forth much fruit." John 12:24

Just as it is difficult to get used to Christmas in the summer, it is difficult to imagine Easter in the fall! But as Jesus said in John 12, there is a definite connection that can be made! Just as Spring is the picture of the resurrection of new life, Fall and Winter depict the death that must occur before new life can come forth! We have been busy planting the seed, and as we sow, we are looking forward to the reaping of much fruit.



It has been a busy time since our last update. Along with our "Bibles in Schools", John/Romans distribution, Bible studies, Men and boys outings, ladies' night out"s, door-to-door visiting, regular church services, and regular life and home maintenance, we have added a few new opportunities. Stephen and I are now coaching a soccer team made up of 12 year olds. What a great opportunity

to meet new families! Our first game will be on April 21 and the season will continue through the winter months. We also had an opportunity to take a group of church folk to hear a presentation on Noah's



Ark. Rod Walsh from Creation Ministries International was in a nearby town with his 2 meter long, scale model of the Ark. It was a well attended meeting with an excellent presentation of the Gospel as well as the truths from Genesis.

We had our "first annual" Men's Wilderness Retreat in the Southern

Hemisphere! We hope to see this activity grow in the future but we believe father/son outings are a very important part of the discipleship ministry. It is difficult with the agricultural occupations to find a suitable time



when the men can get away, but, Lord willing, we hope to see this ministry grow next year.

Thank you to all for your continued prayers! Please pray for all the ministries listed above. The people as a whole are very disinterested in anything to do with spiritual things. Response to invitations is polite, but most "can't be bothered" with anything new or out of their comfort zone. Please pray that



we can find ways to help people see their desperate state. Time is short and we

know God is not willing that any should perish! We must continue to sow the seed. "How shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher?"

Your prayers and financial support are greatly appreciated! We are currently at about 92% of our needed support and would love to have more churches join our team!

Serving together with you,

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