

It's Almost Spring! Greetings!

from the Grove Family in New Zealand



Fellowship after Bible Study

Thine, O LORD, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for all *that* is in the heaven and in the earth *is thine*; thine is the kingdom, O LORD, and thou art exalted as head above all. I Chronicles 29:11

Where does the time go? It seems like just last week that we updated everyone on the ministry but it was actually in July! Winter has flown by and God has given us a good one! It has been a mild winter with the exception of a few

winter blasts. They are still enjoying skiing on the mountains. Calving season is just about over, the lambs are looking beautiful in the paddocks, the trees are blossoming and the flowers are beginning to bloom. As we watch Spring arrive we are looking forward to the victories that God will give us! We have a new brochure introducing our church to the community. We plan to hand-deliver it in the urban areas and have it delivered by the rural post to the entire rural district-approximately 9,500 letter-boxes(urban and rural combined). Pray that God would move in the hearts of the people and that we would have many people respond by phone call, email, through the website, or by visiting our church. God has the answers for helping us find victory in every area!

Soccer season is over but we pray that we will be able to continue our contact with the young men from the team. Seven of them plus the other coach and his family came to our last youth activity. We were able to share the Gospel with them and show the video "Evolution vs. God."

We have the privilege of hosting the New Zealand Baptist Bible Training Program students for 2 weeks. Mike is enjoying teaching the Creation class, getting to use the same material prepared for the class in June. Pray for these young people as they seek God's direction. Pray also that we would see more young people get involved in the training program. There is a tremendous need for more Pastors, teachers and Christian workers in every church we fellowship with, as well as a need for more churches in many towns and cities.



God's Word continues to go out in the Bibles in Schools program, Filipino Bible Studies, tract distribution, as well as the weekly services. We are excited to see what God is going to do in the weeks to come as we think about and put into action new ideas and continue with the "old" ways.

Many may already know that we have begun our permanent residency paperwork. The first step was the "Expression of Interest". This must be selected and reviewed to determine if they will invite you to apply for residency. We have officially been invited to apply! Now the task of getting everything together that is required for the application – including a sizeable fee. Thank you for your prayers as we take this next step and as we continue to be your "arm" in the South Pacific!

Serving together with you,

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