Warm Greetings!

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from the Grove Family in New Zealand



*Whereas ye know not what shall be on the morrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapour, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away. James 4:14* 

It does not seem possible that Summer is almost over! Time has gone so quickly with so many things happening here in our corner of the world! What a blessing to know that we are doing what God wants us to do and that He is in charge of the results. Would it not be wonderful

if the results came as quickly as time passes by?! Like the old saying goes, good things take time. It has been a blessing to watch the growth of one of our young men. Rogerio was saved just over 2 years ago. He has had many hard decisions to make but his desire has been to please his Saviour and to know Him more. What a blessing to hear him share God's Word with us at our Wednesday evening Bible study recently. We are praying for more "Rogerio's"!



Since our last news letter Christmas and New Years has come and gone with all the activities of the holidays. We had our second Men's

Wilderness Retreat. A small group but a good adventure climbing Mt. Potts, camping, and fishing. Stephen posted some pictures on "facebook" for anyone who would like to see New Zealand from the top of the Southern Alps.

Our Family Fun Nights have been a great time of fellowship for the church family. The Filipino Bible studies have also been a blessing. Because of the work schedules of our people, it seems the Sunday morning,



Sunday evening, and Friday evening meetings all average about the same number of people with a little different group each time! Please pray as Bibles in Schools will be starting shortly and we are trying to reach more folks out in the rural areas of our district. We will be having a "Town Hall Meeting" at a community hall in a rural area on Sunday evening, February 23. We have posted 1200 invitations and hope to challenge the people to consider their spiritual condition.

We had the privilege of ministering in a new church plant in

Christchurch. Stephen was able to provide the piano accompaniment for singing. The new church, Lighthouse Baptist Church, is reaching out to the Brazilian and Filipino community in Christchurch, as well as any others who would like to attend.



None of this would be possible without your prayers and support! We cannot thank you enough! May God bless you all!

Serving together with you,

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