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Grateful Greetings!

from the Grove Family to New Zealand

...Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ: That we *henceforth* be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive; But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ.... **Ephesians** 4:13-15



The last 2 months have flown by quickly with many opportunities for evangelism, discipleship, and fellowship. Since the last newsletter.... The Christmas season gave us reason to try a new outreach; we had our first Christmas Eve candlelight service. The youth group did a "reader's theatre" and sang for us. Some former members who have since moved away came back to visit and their daughter played the piano for us.

The first week of January was a busy time with our annual Family Camp. This is a wonderful time of fellowship with other believers from 7 of the churches of like faith on the South Island. One young man made assurance of his salvation

after the Wednesday evening message. He has been attending church with the member who had the privilege of speaking with him. Pray for





The week after Family Camp, a group of men travelled around the South Island doing street preaching and distributing tracts. We were able to join them when they came through Ashburton. Many heard the Gospel and we were able to speak to many as tracts were distributed.

The summer holiday gives us a 2 month break from the school activities. We were able to have a short getaway to Queenstown. It was a good time of fellowship with another family from Christchurch. We also

were able to have some Ladies' nights out and a

Father/Son overnight. Bibles in Schools and BLAST club will begin again the week of February 13th.

Thank you for your continued prayers and support as we continue serving here. We look forward to what God will do through us in the coming months as 2017 flies by! May God richly bless you as you serve him in your mission field.



Serving together with you,

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