

# Thanksgiving from the Groves

October/November 2018

## Your Missionaries to New Zealand

It is Thanksgiving Day in New Zealand and though the country does not celebrate officially, we have enjoyed celebrating with some American friends and their family. We have much to be thankful for as we see the end of 2018 approaching. God has blessed here in our little corner of the world, not only with 5 new babies and one on the way, but also in new “baby” believers to disciple and encourage.

Most recently a middle-aged man visited on a Sunday night. Just 2 weeks earlier he had tried to take his own life. Monday evening he gave his life to Jesus. He has many things to overcome, but he recognizes that he has tried to do things on his own without answer. Please pray for him as he deals with past follows Christ to future victories.

Back in a blessing as Stephen teens were presence. The “Being Valiant for Him” and we were all encouraged and challenged by good preaching, games, practical training and fellowship. Not to mention good food!

We did some sight-seeing with Stephen for a couple of days before he returned to the States. Then it was back to the normal services, Bibles-in-schools, Blast club and discipleship times. We continue to work with the couple that were saved in September and we had the privilege of baptising them, another couple, and one teenager. Another baptism is necessary as we now have at least 2 more who have expressed the need to obey the Lord.

We have begun a study of Finances God’s way on Wednesday evenings. Also, coming up in December the teens will be leading the evening service,

with two of our young men doing the preaching. Two other teens will be playing piano specials – maybe one will be our pianist in the future. We keep praying for someone.

God is still working! Slowly we see people turning to Him. We pray that we will be able to continue planting the seed, especially in the public schools. The humanists are easily offended by the Truth of God’s Word – the doors could easily close on many of our outreach opportunities in a heartbeat. Please pray with us. We are thankful for so many who pray and support us financially! We trust you will have a wonderful Thanksgiving season with friends and family! God is Good – all the time!



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*Serving together with you,*

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