

Grateful Greetings

from the Groves in New Zealand

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Hard to believe Summer is almost over! Since our Christmas newsletter, life has flown by like a whirlwind! So many things to tell you about – God has been working to wake people up here in this “laid back”, peaceful country.

As you can see from the pictures, the teens did a wonderful job presenting the Christmas Eve play, “A Christmas to Remember.” Everyone was involved and we even had to enlist some adults to help in various areas. It was a blessing to have many visitors and the Gospel was clearly presented.

In January our annual South Island Family Camp was cancelled due to the “Covid restrictions.” We had our own mini-camp with activities each day and teaching on Principles for a Happy Family. The teenagers helped by having a “Kid’s club” for the children while everyone else was in the teaching sessions. What a wonderful blessing to have so many willing and able teens!

We continued the teaching with 3 weeks of Sunday night sessions for parents with children at home. Again the teens did their part.

Currently we

are having Junior Church at the same time as the Sunday morning service. Government restrictions say that we cannot have more than 25 people in attendance, not including staff, if we are not going to discriminate against the “unvaxxed.” We now have 24 people on staff – people who legitimately do things to help such as ushers, music, teachers, sound system, etc. We have Junior Church in one building, with about 15 children and 5 staff (teens and adults). Everyone else meets in the regular hall. We have been averaging close to 60 people on Sunday morning when you combine the two groups.

The “Covid restrictions” have been a blessing! Instead of hindering our outreach it has opened new doors and people who were never interested in spiritual things are now asking questions – “What in the world is going on?” If you are watching non-mainstream media you will see there is a lot going on here with protests. From God’s point of view this “Plandemic” has been an eye opener. Could it be our one last chance before He returns?

Brett and Jenny Hoffman are ready to come as soon as Immigration NZ begins to accept applications for work visas. Please be praying, there are signs that it will be opening soon.

Thank you for continuing to support us with your prayers and offerings. We have lost support and gained new support, but God has been faithful to provide! We are truly grateful! May God richly bless you as you serve Him!

Because of Christ,

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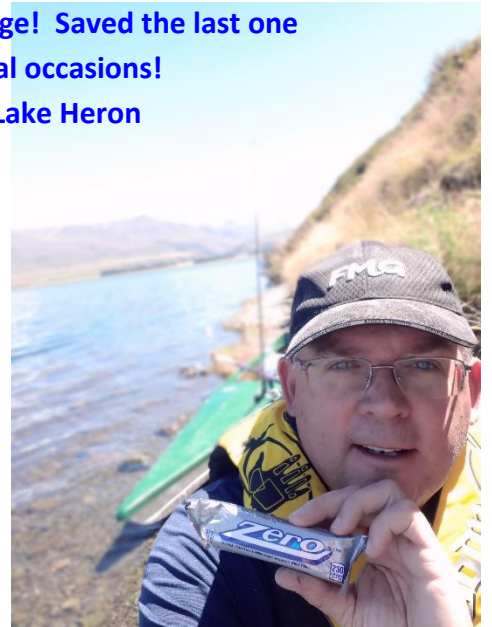
Teen activity, badminton in our back yard. Notice the garden which is producing very nicely right now!



Kid's club included the 3 year olds.



Shout out to a supporting church that sent the care package! Saved the last one for a special occasions!
Fishing at Lake Heron



One of the family projects during our Mini-camp



Freshwater eel anyone?