



Waikato Update

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Hi all.

Joanne and I hope you're well and ready for this new year. Only the Lord knows what it will hold for His people and our increasingly changing world. We are both well and on holiday until the 29th, on which I'll join a small OAC team to attend Festival One. There, we'll hopefully meet up with folk and share our vision for reaching New Zealand for Christ. As evangelists, we have a love and burden for Jesus' church and believe that a primary work is to serve His Body by equipping her for the mission. In these troubled times, the people of our nation are ready for the gospel more than ever before.

Many are asking questions around the "global crisis" and are fearful for their future.



New gospel literature

My latest booklets are finished and although they were written primarily for the prison work, I've been using them on the street. Many unsaved people are concerned with the on-going and it seems never ending changes and controls being introduced globally, and are looking for answers. Christ Jesus is the solution. As I've gone witnessing, I've found a refreshing openness, and the gospel flows easily into the conversations. Other Christians have

enjoyed them and are asking for more to distribute to their friends and colleagues. We are in the last days of this age and the preparations for the coming antichrist are obvious. I've simply included quotes from those who are deeply involved in the conspiracy and have tried to stay away from speculation.

Prison ministry

Since August 16th, I've been locked out of Springhill prison. On my last day there, 5 men responded to the gospel. I'm not sure when the door will open again so I'm applying to be a volunteer at Waikeria Prison. Please pray for open doors.

Mount Maunganui outreach

On the 20th and 21st of November, I partnered with Mount Bible Chapel in their annual Park Outreach where we preached the gospel to a good number of local people. Food, music and kid's programs were part of the Saturday afternoon and on the Sunday, we witnessed the baptism of a lady and her daughter who had made a decision for Christ at the previous year's outreach. There were no decisions made for the Lord this year but we enjoyed a liberty in preaching and speaking with some throughout the day. This type of outreach is an example what can happen when a local church goes with the gospel.

Hamilton outreach

From the 21st till the 24th of December I stationed myself in the city and handed out Christmas tracts and spoke with people about the reason for Christmas. It was a time of good connection with folk and much gospel seed was sown.

Auckland outreach

From the 27th till the 31st I joined a great team in Auckland for a time of street evangelism. One of the young team members led young man to Christ and again, much seed was sown. We worked across the city from South Auckland, West, Central city and Mission Bay. From open air preaching to surveys to personal witnessing, we enjoyed great freedom in sharing the gospel and making ongoing follow-up connections. Much literature was given out as we went and we knew the Lord's pleasure and presence with us.

Church serving

Since my last news-letter, I've preached at 3 different churches. One of these was through Zoom which I found difficult. Not being physically there was weird. The dynamic of being with people is a necessity and yet in these days of division, technology is a handy substitute. These are great days when we need to rethink "how" ministry can be done. Perhaps smaller groups are the answer, connecting with each other from time to time.

Coming events

Festival One...28th-30th January,

Preaching at Waihi beach and town churches 13th February.

School of evangelism in Hamilton...17th-19th Feb, 24th-26th Feb, 3rd-5th March

Dear friends, Jo and I again say a big thankyou for your love and support over the last year. The year ahead is filled with opportunity. Let us look unto Jesus for His help.

"And lo I am with you, even until the end of the age".