

Ian & Lynn Williams Roving Ambassadors



Serving in Victoria, NSW and Tasmania

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It is hard to believe that it is a whole year since we last brought you up-to-date with our travels. Where did that time go!!

Our last newsletter mentioned our plans for travelling to Victoria. We left Wye in early November and made our way down the coast with our first stop at Kiama. While we were there we made a quick trip back to Sydney to be there for our granddaughter who was having grommets fitted to her ears as she was rapidly becoming extremely deaf, so much so that the specialist was concerned that she would be totally deaf within days if nothing was done. Praise the Lord, she came through that very well and has progressed well since then. We then made stops at Ulladulla, Batemans Bay, Narooma, Merimbula, Mallacoota and Lakes Entrance.

At Lakes Entrance we caught up with some of the folk we had met when there in 2008 and again had our resource table available at the service at the Baptist Church. From there we went to Stratford and visited Sale Baptist, again having our resources available and catching up with a family from our 2008 visit to the area. We then visited Wilsons Promontory and Inverloch on our way to Melbourne. Christmas was spent at Lake Eildon with our sons and we also managed to visit Ian's brothers in Melbourne over the next few weeks.

National Conference was an amazing time of friendship, worship and teaching; of spending time with Mr & Mrs Ezzo and Bill & Joan; of meeting the other guest speakers and so many new friends too.



During conference we were invited to visit Gippsland and Colac. As a result we spent a week in Gippsland with the Lewis family in Drouin, visited the Jackson family at Trafalgar and met up with others connected to GFA – a great week altogether. We had the opportunity of speaking with people and having our resources available at Warragul Community Church where we finished up with a picnic in the park in the pouring rain. Lynn attended Donna's GEMS group and Ian was speaker at a Men's Breakfast hosted by Ben Jackson.

Then it was back to Eildon to pick up our caravan and head off to Colac to spend time with the Veenstra family; again a great week. During this week we had an informal meeting at the Veenstra's home with parents who had done GKGW; another over coffee



with parents of teens at the church and then a 10 minute spot in the Sunday service at Christian Family Church. We were very much taken with the differences between the two districts, both being dairy country but one so lush and the other so dry it was just amazing.

From Colac we moved up through Bendigo, Deniliquin, Narrandera (where we caught up with the Tenhave family and met with their pastor), Yass and back to Wyee where we arrived at the beginning of March. The Lord watched over us through the floods that happened in Southern NSW at that time and although we did drive through the bad weather we were kept safe from the worst of it.

Once back home we facilitated a Childwise class and a Teens class which took us through to the end of May.



Since then we have had two months in Tasmania. Yes, it was cold but mostly dry and we managed to see many interesting parts of our island state. The Filleul family really looked after us in Launceston for which we are very grateful. Our travels there were a 'joint operation' with Paul & Janine Targett of Parents Arise; some of you will remember them from conference. Together we contacted quite a number of churches and schools, were able to run seminars or speak at some of those, and importantly, felt that we were truly giving parents some useful resources.

We did not take the caravan down as God blessed us with accommodation in Launceston, Hobart and Devonport and in the two months there we only paid on few occasions. We made contact with 6 Christian schools and were able to run seminars at 4. We attended 10 churches and either spoke or had short presentations at most of them and also ran seminars at some. We also met with a number of GFA people, including Ben and Mel Gaebler, and also other folk who had used our material. All in all it was a time of blessing for us.

We have been back at Wyee for 3 months. In September we went to Queensland for our granddaughter's wedding and her Mum's 50th birthday. We are now getting ready to move to Queensland until the Key Leaders camp next year. This trip is to spend time with our daughter who is needing our support at the moment.

Your continued prayer support is greatly appreciated as we know for sure that our amazing Lord truly answers and is still calling us to this ministry and we are looking forward to meeting with the Key Leaders in April 2013.

All our blessings,

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