

BRETT AND JENNY—BRINGING HOPE TO NEW ZEALAND

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Greetings from New Zealand!

We are thankful for each of you who faithfully support us prayerfully and financially.

Our ministry has grown over the past sixteen months, and we have stayed extremely busy with our community outreach and many events with our church family. Our theme for this year comes from *Philippians 2:16. "Holding forth the word of life..."* This is what we are here to do. To share the free gift of salvation to every soul in New Zealand. Therefore, in April and May we (our church families) distributed over 5,000 invitations to our community in addition to 1,000 Mother's Day invites. We have a goal of



reaching Ashburton and the rural community three times each year. We have a good turn-out of folks who go when we have the churchwide letterboxing as well as folks who go out during the weeks. We strive to have invitations printed regularly so that we can continue to work to fulfill the great commission here in New Zealand

In April, Jenny and I took her Sunday School class to the Zoo in Christchurch. We enjoyed a full day of seeing the animals and letting the children play on the playground that included a zip-line. We grilled hot dogs, here that would be called a sausage sizzle, and spent the day enjoying the time with the children. We were all pretty worn out by the end of the day.

"SO THEN NEITHER IS HE THAT PLANTETH ANY THING, NEITHER HE THAT WATERETH; BUT GOD THAT GIVETH THE INCREASE."

Our first BIMI field conference in April, was in Fiji this year. We were able to catch up and fellowship with friends serving in New Zealand and other countries as well as having the privilege to meet other missionaries serving around Southeast Asia as well. There is a young man who is serving with Bro. Scott Daku that has a desire to go to one of the other inhabited islands and share the gospel there. A future mission trip is on the horizon. He said he would pray with Bro. Daku and help me plan this trip. I would love to take some of our young men to Fiji and let them have the opportunity to see other mission works.

What a blessing it was to learn from the speaker from Selah International. They are a ministry that offers counseling to missionaries, pastors and families around the world. We are hoping to have them come to New Zealand to speak to our ladies and men.

Jenny planned a ladies fellowship for our church and had a wonderful response. There were over 20 ladies who participated. They watched and painted along with an accomplished painter from the late 80's and early 90's. You may be familiar with the name – Bob Ross. The pictures that the ladies painted were all very good. We were encouraged by the wonder



the ladies painted were all very good. We were encouraged by the wonderful response and participation of our ladies.

On Mother's Day, our church enjoyed a time of fellowship before the morning service. On that day we had our highest attendance ever with 73 and our attendance over the next two weeks was 74! God has blessed Victory Baptist Church and has increased our attendance by about 20% over the last year. It is not us that did it, it is all God, and we give Him all the praise and glory for the increase.

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