



Greetings from Australia

...and the Wilhite family

We want to thank you for your consistent intercession for our family, especially over the past two months as we “travelled in some unknown territory.” God has brought my precious wife out of a very difficult situation that necessitated two hospital stays (one brief, one long), but to meet her today, you would never know anything was amiss.

Due to the nature of her illness, we felt it prudent to take a brief furlough (June-September), and now that the border restrictions have eased somewhat down under and the weather is better in the States, we sense the Lord’s leading to take some time primarily for some R & R. It was 2015-2016 when we last traveled around the States to visit our supporting churches, but even this time, we will only be able to see some of you along the way. I trust you will understand. As a supporting pastor, if you have any questions, I’m sure my pastor will be glad to speak with you (R. Hammett, 610-965-4700).

The church here in Dalby is coming along. God put together the details for a mature couple from a sister church 90 minutes away to move here. They knew nothing of our situation and we knew nothing of theirs when they decided to sell their house, get out of debt, and move further west to find housing and employment. As it turns out, they have procured a beautiful house in a choice location for the exact dollar amount they had to spend. The house is currently occupied through August—good for us as they will be able to get out of their tent in the caravan park and occupy our house while we are gone. For the time we are away, the services will be scaled back a bit to twice a month with this dear brother and sister carrying the teaching ministries to the adults and children.

Due to the addition of this couple, we were able to open a bank account here in town, commence to do further outreach via online resources, develop a better church logo for advertisement, and broaden the scope of those serving in the services.

Can I please ask you to pray for the following folks—Garth, Gary, Ben/Louise, Roy/Lynda, Peter, Danny, Cory/Lea, Peter, Wes/Michelle, Travis. Most probably need to be saved, but then there is Ryan—a 25-year-old chap, who has a good testimony, is biblically sharp, has some Bible college background, faithfully attends, has a balanced evangelistic zeal with foreign missions on his heart, has taught himself Portuguese in lieu of someday being a missionary to this people group, loves his parents, and is gainfully employed. He needs to be baptized the Bible way, so pray for him to come along in this area. It is always difficult in a smaller country town to hold the line in this area, but we have. We lost a nice family over this issue and I think that has affected others too. Still, our attendance ranges from 25-40 on any given Sunday. God has been good to us. Three years ago, a nearby Aussie pastor told me the folks here wouldn’t trust me until we returned for our second term. Time will tell.

Ourselves your servants,

Jerry, Deborah, Bri, and Josh