



DEAR PASTORS AND PRAYING FRIENDS,

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It is so hard to believe that time marches on in the way it does, and it is our desire to redeem “the time, for the days are evil” (Ephesians 5.16). It is a blessing once again to be able to bring good reports of the Lord’s work in this part of the world. We will really be privileged to be in this Gospel work, and trust that you will be encouraged to know of the Lord’s blessings here.

“MANY, O LORD MY GOD, ARE THY WONDERFUL WORKS WHICH THOU HAST DONE” *Psalms 40.5*

We give thanks to God for His Word and how we can read of the many wonderful works which He has done in times past—and yet presently rejoice that He is still at work today, in ways beyond our understanding. What a blessing to consider that the Lord’s works are “many” and “wonderful”. May we have eyes of faith to see them all the more!

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONTEST

At the beginning of the year we challenged the young people to bring as many friends to Sunday School as they could to hear the Gospel, and told them that if we reached 20 in attendance, we would have a special celebration. The numbers fell and rose throughout the weeks of the contest and on the penultimate week there was less than there had been for quite some time. We wondered if we were really going to reach 20 (which would be a large number for us on Sunday afternoons) and had set too high a target for the children—but remembered in Ephesians 3.20 that the Lord is “able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think”. We prayed that the Lord would grant us this request that He might be glorified. The final Sunday of the contest arrived and we anxiously awaited who might come in. Amazingly the Lord brought in 22 young people! All of the children were thrilled (pictured top right) that the goal had been met—and we were able to speak of how the Lord had so clearly answered our prayers before our very eyes. Praise God for His goodness and for the ways in which He is showing Himself to these precious young people.



AFTER SCHOOL BIBLE CLUB

At the end of March we held an after-school Bible club in lieu of our usual Holiday Bible Club as we were not able to conduct the club at the usual time this spring. With it being after-school, we were unsure as to who might come and also were slightly down on our regular workers with the club happening during typical work day hours. Amazingly, the Lord brought in 10 new children with whom we had never previously had contact—and we give thanks to God for this remarkable answer to prayer! Various parents and children stopped by our sign outdoors to ask questions, or called the number on the leaflet to ask for their child to be picked up. We can truly say it was the hand of the Lord upon us. Other church members volunteered to help in the areas we needed it most—and it was such a joy to work together and see so many children and young people under the sound of the Gospel, and bringing more and more friends to hear the Good News too. We considered the life of Daniel through songs, memory verses, games and an acted out Bible lesson. At the conclusion of the week, many parents gathered for the award ceremony and also came under the sound of the Gospel. Please pray for parents and children alike who heard that Word—that it would bring forth fruit in their lives.

PLEASE PRAY...

- For the children who have been faithfully attending Sunday School in recent months, that the Lord would grant them understanding of His Word and that they would be saved.

- For the many new children which visited during our Bible Club—that they would return for Sunday School regularly and come to know the Lord.

IN CHRIST, THE HOUSER FAMILY