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Old Truck
New Bus



Dear Friends,

The above address is where I am when I'm home - haven't been there much this year.

There was the usual 40 or so people from Lake Nash & even some from Alice Springs I found out on the last day, here for the Rodeo in early August camped all around my place. It was beaut to have them all.

As soon as they all went home (about a week after they got there) I took a truck load of Christian Bookworld stock & furniture to Brisbane second half of August. Total round trip 3630 K.

Then home for a week or so & off on an outreach trip to Soapy Bore and Lake Nash. Away for 2 weeks including 2 funerals at Lake Nash. Total 1512 Klms. Round trip. Then unpack and pack up again for a week or so and off to Mareeba to do the bookshop at the North Qld. Christian Aboriginal Convention. Topsy O'Keefe and 3 grand children came with me. Total 2504 Klms round trip.

Then after arriving home on 5th October 2 painful ear infections & a busted ear drum. Then a series of doctors & antibiotics but not much different - most pain gone but ears still blocked. 23rd November & ears still blocked. I've been going to an ear, Nose & Throat specialist which ended up with an operation on sinus nose & ears.

Well I don't know what's ahead. I didn't ask the Lord for it. I didn't even think of it. I just thought when the truck dies the Lord will be changing my ministry. It was decided that the truck was getting too old & would soon be ready to start going wrong. (I didn't decide that - it's going good - it's for sale if you are interested?) It has had 13 good years of serving the Lord.

A Toyota Coaster bus with chair lift came up for sale & the Lord organized the rest. I won't have so high a lift with all the bookshop boxes now.

A friend from Cairns offered to go & drive the bus up from Albury. About 5 days on the road (Albury, Isa, Cairns). I sure thank the Lord for that as I was too crook to go down & get it.

At the Mareeba Convention a visiting friend from Cairns offered to rehash the inside of the bus into a "camp a van" type set-up. So here I am in Cairns while the bus is being done & being fitted with extra mechanical things, bull bar, snorkel, diff lock etc & having my ear & sinus operation. I thank the Lord for the people He has sent along to help in both areas. Another friend got me straight in to the ear, nose & throat specialist - usually the wait is a few months. The Lord still works miracles today, as He did 2000 years ago - that's why we have Christmas.

Trust you remember Him uppermost this Christmas.

Hazel



Bus



Bus Ramp