



LOOK UP FOR YOUR REDEMPTION DRAWETH NEAR

FROM THE TOOLBOX

My dear friends,

Greetings brethren in the name of Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. How long has it been since I last wrote? Time has flown, South Sydney made the NRL semis and my daughter has had another baby girl. Yes I'm a grandfather again and age has started to take a toll on this once perfect athlete's body. The hair is that silver now there's every chance of causing damage to the eye sight of people when I step out into the sunlight such is the brightness from the reflection. There are aches and pains in body parts I didn't know I had, knee's creaking, eye sight failing and stomach muscles stretching. But do you know what? With all my problems it makes me look forward to the day I shall receive a new body - One perfect from fault that will never again go out of shape. One that shall last all eternity and dwell in the presence of the Lord for ever more. That day when I shall see my Saviour face to face. I often receive news from the web site **Israel Today** and can't help but wonder how long now Lord. With everything that's happening in the Middle East surely his return is just around the corner. We need to be ready to meet our maker.

This year has been one of frustration and testing. It is difficult to continue on when we don't have a place of worship of our own. Meeting in the home is good but the need for a church building would enhance our ministry no end. Our people need a place of belonging and somewhere they can call their own. A sense of pride and a feeling of ownership. I know it's all in the Lord's time but I just get frustrated sometimes.

This year we are planning a couple of camps with the **East Coast Christian Indigenous Youth Network** to encourage our young ones in their walk with Christ, to share the Love of Jesus with those who don't know him and to help ground our youth in the word of God through the Auntie Evie Walker Memorial Shield Bible Quiz.



Our desire is to give our youth groups the chance to come together for fellowship and a bit of fun, play some sport and enjoy the snow in the mountains inside the Kosciusko National Park. To see our kids eyes light up as they meet one another in the love of Christ is well worth it all. In July we will meet at Bimbadeen College at Cootamundra for our snow trip.

Then in October we will come together again for our annual sports camp so the world will know the Turtles of Toukley reign supreme. In previous years just the name 'ToukleyTurtles' sent fear into the hearts of all the other groups and this year will be no different. What a time it will be. Please pray with us for the camps this year that the Name of Jesus may be the only one on every body's lips.

We are in need of \$1500 to pay for the coach to transport our youth from Cootamundra to Mt Selwyn and unless this is found some of our Kids may not be able to make it. I know it always works out and the Lord provides exactly what is needed so please pray with us that He may hear and answer according to His will.



What does the future hold for us? 2009 may be our last on the central coast as we are praying about going back into pastoral work at a few different established churches interstate instead of church planting. The Koori mob on the Coast will not be left without though as it is envisaged Brendon and Amy will remain here to provide a witness and continue to mix with the mob from time to time.

We are seeking the will of God and are looking to Him for direction and guidance.



Please pray with us.



Family:

Benji is two now and in need of glasses. His eye sight needs to be corrected before it gets unrepairable so we ask that you remember him in your prayers.

Kiah is the little woman who may be in Kindergarten but knows too much. Her mind is forever ticking over to see what mischief she can get into. And boy does she get into a bit.

Cody has left Wyong Magpies AFL and returned to soccer for the 2008 season due to the shortage of games within the local Aussie rules competition.

Emily (Naden) continues to go along quietly with her studies at Year 11 taking up most of her time. Although she has her learners permit we have been unable to take her driving as the Charade is in need of repairs. When everything is fixed her lessons will get back on track. We are praying that she will have her licence by the years end to give her a little independence if we leave for another ministry.

Sarah (Naden) is doing Child Care at Tafe and will finish with a diploma in 2009. It will allow her to work with kids in day care and preschools. Exactly what she wants.

Jenice Pearl (Naden) still remains in Logan city working at Woodridge High doing tutoring. She loves the interaction with the young people and is fellowshipping at the Wesleyan Methodist at Logan. She's having a bit of struggles

Jumal: yes we have another in the house who has come to live with us and complete his year 12 at Gorokan High. He belongs to my brother from Broken Hill who works with the Uniting Church. He plans to finish his studies here and then take up a youth leadership position in Nowra with the Anglican Church. Pray he may have no problems fitting in and that all will go well with him.

The Garletts: as you have seen at the start of this letter I have another in the world who looks like me. **Kyarna** is absolutely beautiful and was born 14th of March 2008 at the Gosford Hospital. Don't ask about weight or length or any that stuff because that info can only be given by a woman. **Taylah** is growing at rapid rate of knots and causing havoc where ever she goes. We have nick named her and Benji 626 and 627 after the characters off Lilo and Stitch. You would think they are built for destruction. The house takes hours to clean up yet they demolish everything in seconds. But they are so lovely. **Amy** (nee Naden) is coping with motherhood without missing a beat. Just so proud of her for doing what she has. A good mother to her kids and a loving wife to her husband. **Brendon** is in his second year of a Degree in Mental Health. Not a bad bloke sometimes but still has yet to see the light because he plays AFL with the Wyong Magpies instead of converting to the real form of Football. Pray God may give him wisdom before it is too late so he may know the true game of rugby league. Up the Rabbitohs!

My Love: **Alexandra** is just lovely. She is coping with the extra work load of having to care for three more children and has not missed a beat. She's the best looking grandmother I've ever seen and her lips are just so fine. Having the Lord's choice as your life's partner makes all the difference.

Well that's about it for now. I pray it may not take me so long to contact you again in the future. I thank you for everything and appreciate all the support whether it be prayerful, financial or just by being a friend, it really means a lot. May the Lord bless you all in every aspect of life as you seek to do His precious will.

His tools - The Naden Family

1. Pray we may have more intimacy with our Saviour.
2. Pray that our eyes may remain focused on Jesus Christ our Lord.
3. Pray that our camps and work may bring glory to the name of Jesus.
4. Pray for purity and holiness in his servants.
5. Pray I may never stray from the truth of the gospel when I preach.
6. Pray that the Lord will provide the help I need to fix the problems we have with the car and Bus.

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