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Howdy,

Which one do I answer first? Front or all at the same time. Each one trying to get my attention. This

door-back door- or the phone- thinks they are the only one happens quite often.

The coming and going of people here just seems to be "all the time".

At Rodeo time (the second week in August) there were about 35 Nash people staying here. It was real beaut to see them all and sit around the 'fire bucket' yarning (fire bucket is ½ a 44g/ drum with fire going in it and a fridge shelf on top where the frying pan is full of steak).

All the Christian videos in the church book shelf are in constant use as are the mattresses and toys.

At the end of July we had a 2 nights and one day visit from the G.L.O. Bible College (in Tasmania) students from central Asia, Mongolia, China and South Korea- very, very interesting.

In the September school holidays 16 of us (5 from Lake Nash, 2 from Camooweal, and 9 from Mt. Isa) headed for the North QLD. Aboriginal Christian Convention, 23 kms. North of Delta Downs Stn. which is 100kms north of Normanton. The two fellows with us helped me put up the annex on the side of the bus and the tables for the bookshop and set up camp- the ladies just 'sit'- they never help -(I'd rather take all men with me any day). The numbers were down at the Convention this year but the book shop sales are never much at these conventions- opposite to the tribal area.

We haven't been having Bible studies this year as I haven't been here much (too many visits to the ENT specialist in Cairns). A group of us are planning a weekly Bible study group at a more suitable time for all involved- maybe mid morning or mid to late afternoon- we'll see what boils down. Fortnightly on Monday night there's been a Baptist over 50's home group held here (much too hard for aboriginal people).

Mt. Isa- Cloncurry area has officially been declared a drought area- water restrictions



are getting tighter. Small patches of my yard are turning into bull dust. Cloncurry is completely out of water so is getting water from Mt. Isa in big rail tankers.



My ears are still happily bubbling away every now and again but there is no pain. The Doc (my GP) says the hole is slowly healing over- the grommets are still there- hearing seems to be slowly improving.

**Mobile Christian
Bookshop set-up at
Delta Convention**

By the time you get all this it will be Christmas so I trust you all put Christ central to all your celebrating.

In Christ,

Hazel Lauridsen