

Greetings in our Lord and Saviour and the only true living God, Jesus Christ.

The old hymn says "Count your blessings name them one by one and it will surprise you what the Lord has done". As the year draws to a close it is our privilege and honor to look back and see how God has kept us and blessed us with all we ever needed and so much more. Your faithfulness in supporting us through prayer and also financially during 2008 has been much appreciated and we praise the Lord for you.

Church: as we have said before this is not so much a church ministry as it is a personalized ministry. Contact with locals, taking funerals, baby dedications and weddings seem to be the way of sharing the Gospel. This ministry will remain this way until we are able to secure a permanent place of worship. Please continue to pray with us for this. In 2009 I will be taking a backward step & handing the reins over to Brendon Garlett. He will take over the pastoral duties with my help when needed. This will allow my wife and I to explore more options.

Toukey Turtles Youth: the roller coaster which is youth work has provided us with a great ride this year. During the year we have had a small but dedicated group mostly made up of grandchildren from the Goolagong clan. Mainly boys which is a little unusual, it's been challenging yet a good experience. Pray for Mitchell, Jordon, Zane, Logan, Russell, Germaine, Dylan, Cody, Lucas, Sarah, Emily, Janay, Brody, Gary and Linda.

East Coast Christian Indigenous Youth Network: Had 2 very successful camps during the year at Bimbadeen and Lake Burrendong. The snow camp attracted approx 110 people from Albury, Eden, Toukley, Mt Druitt, Minto, Dubbo, Peak Hill, Wollongong and Brisbane. Lake Burrendong was a great time with around 170 coming from the same places plus Logan City and Broken Hill. This year was a time to crown a new champion as we finally won the Quiz with Cody winning the individual award. Everyone's already looking forward to next year as we will have our Sports camp in Logan City and hope to have up to 400 youth. Terry and Faith Green will be organizing the sports day and they promise some thing different which should be good. Our Guest speaker for the weekend will be Pastor Harley Hayward from AEC Perth. Please pray that the Gospel message will be preached plain and simple so the young people can understand and many may respond to the leading of His Spirit to repentance.

Family:

Emily has commenced yr12 & just can't wait to complete her final year at Gorokan High. She has had a very good 12 months but as yet there is no looking beyond the HSC next Oct. Please pray she and Jenice will get their provisional licence soon. Emily was baptized this year, a very moving experience.

Jenice is back with us after 2 years spent in Logan City working as a Teacher Aide at the Woodridge high School and a youth leader at the Local Multicultural Wesley Methodist Church. She will be doing a teachers degree at Uni in Sydney in 2009.

Sarah will also start Uni in 2009 doing the same teachers degree. She is praying about taking over the youth work with the Minto Indigenous Church. Pray that God will reveal His perfect will to them all.

Cody, Kyah and Benji are all doing fine. Benji now must wear glasses but looks stunning in them. **Kyah** will soon finish her first year of school and she has loved every moment of it. **Cody** and I are praying about going to Israel in January 2009 on a Inner Faith Travel Tour. He is so excited and puts his little cents away when he gets them.

Amy will restart her final few years of Uni to complete her degree for primary school teaching after spending a couple of years with her kids. Marriage seems to agree with her and having a husband who loves the Lord makes it all the more better for her.

Brendon is in his final year of a mental health degree and can't wait to finish. He will also take over the leading role in the ministry here as mentioned above. **Taylah and Kyarna** (Grandchildren) are the mirror image of their POP and looking good. A true blessing from the Lord.

Alexandra is as lovely as ever with her cover girl looks and a true friend given by the Lord to bless a husband who needed a good woman to stand by him. Like the old diggers age shall not weary them.

Future Plans: Hope to be able to get around and see a few of the youth groups this year, up and down the East Coast to encourage and tell them of the Lord's soon return. Also hope to be able to get up north to support our brethren and provide a little help where needed. Other than that we will soon be relocating to glory. The end is drawing so close with the way the world is today that the future is bright for all Christians who serve the Lord Jesus Christ in purity and holiness. Sad to say for those who don't confess Christ as savior all they have to look forward to is a lake of fire. Be encouraged, Look up for He is coming soon.

Have a good Christmas and a better new year. May the God who created the heavens and the earth bless you in a wonderful way this coming year, and may in everything you do Jesus Christ will be glorified. Just tools in the hands of the master.

His tools **The Naden Family, Wyong Christian Koori Fellowship**

Mark, Alexandra, Sarah, Jenice, Emily, Benji, Kyah, Cody.
Brendon & Amy, Taylah & Kyarna. (Garlett.)



Mark & Alexandra Naden



Cody, Benji, Kayah



Naden girls with
Garlett g' children

Amy & Brendon
Garlett

