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David & Cleuza (Day 17)

We praise the Lord for His continued mercies. We had a great trip back to Brazil from New Zealand with my parents, Graeme and Joan Nicholson. The Lord performed some significant miracles on that trip, for which we are grateful. My parents will be with us until after mid-February, when their first great grandchild is due to be born. Having arrived back we are in the process of moving house to a location near where we are building the chapel. Restarting our ministries here saw the young people getting back into their Bible training and music practices. We have had a request for baptism from a man in his fifties who has been in contact with us for about two years. He and his family are attending meetings. Click [here](#) for news about our furlough in New Zealand.

Phil & Jill (Day 24)

Our College in PNG has its graduation ceremony on Saturday at the main campus with about 80 graduating. Praise God for the development of these students through their training and pray that God would use them in the future ministry. I (Phil) am helping with all the processing of transcripts as well as getting the faculty ready for next year.

Next week I am teaching about 30 Bible school teachers who are coming in for a week. The topic is Teaching to Transform. It will be a strenuous week. Pray for good interaction with the teachers and that it will be helpful for them. Then it is back to NZ.

Andrew & Patrizia (Day 9)

Last weekend we were in Seggiano. It was a busy time due to it being the weekend of the olive oil festival. Lots of chaos, especially 9pm onwards when things usually get quiet there. We distributed more than 90 calendars in one day and I was even able to meet some Bangladeshis (one Bangladeshi name you can remember in prayer is Jahangir Alam and one Italian name to remember in prayer is Sara).

David & Meike (Day 10)

We have a week before our flights to NZ, so we are slowly getting everything ready before the main packing starts on the weekend. It will be our first trip to NZ with the whole family, so please pray for good travel; especially for the boys, for the two long haul flights. We have all had colds recently, so prayer for good health would also be appreciated. Thank you.

Bill & Angela (Day 17)

Please pray for us as we depart Colombia this week and journey via CA to New Zealand. Pray for Family Church in La Calera to share the light of Christ during this Christmas season through the various special events they have planned. Also pray for a Venezuelan couple we have been helping to work through some tough marriage issues.

Bruce & Robin (Day 27)

As we move into December, I have shared with each one of my thirty plus friends who are new to New Zealand a flipbook that I have created which tells the story and the meaning of Christmas in a very creative way, with its foundation being from a scriptural viewpoint. Please pray that as I talk to each one of these individuals that the spirit of understanding will simply open each person's eyes so they can see the truth.

Benjamin & Rebekah (Day 5)

Please pray for us while in the last few weeks before baby arrives, that we would get everything prepared. Pray for Rosa and Lucia for the transition of getting a new sibling. Pray that Bekah would give birth after her parents arrive, not before. Pray for our students, one student named Wave has been so encouraging and started to go out of his way to share his faith. He even travelled across the city to share with his high school friend. Pray for more students who have this passion.

Francisco & Joanna (Day 18)

Please pray for safe travels, 'soft' landings, and God's continued direction and provision as we return to NZ for a few months.

Ester (Day 28)

Praise God for the visit of the GC3 Mission Ambassadors to Invercargill last month! It was very encouraging to meet them face to face.

Pray for wisdom as I continue to learn about PTXprint software and how to effectively support translation teams - both Wycliffe and non-Wycliffe organisations.

Pray for wise use of the Lord's time during the holiday break. I thank our God for your prayer support throughout the year!

Craig & Darlene (Day 1)

Darlene got the all-clear from her medical check-ups in NZ, PTL, and very much enjoyed spending time with our family. Craig is enjoying Namakura language learning and analysis as he studies the texts that have been recorded and learns from previous linguistic research. Pray for good preparation of a prayer guide for the translation project and for its distribution among the community. We're excited that Joel, Melody, Isaac and Jade will be visiting us along with Jade's sister for a few weeks from the end of December into January. Please pray for a refreshing holiday time together.

Tim & Angela (Day 15)

Please lift us up during this busy season, and may the Lord give us wisdom to know what and who to prioritise. Thank you for praying for our health, we are grateful to have avoided a nasty winter flu which affected so many here.

We are all travelling to a nearby country for our 3-yearly regional conference. We anticipate a time of encouragement, and reconnection with others working in this region, as well as an opportunity to work more closely together. We will also take a week's holiday as a family as it is the winter school break.

Please pray our team members, some of whom have been experiencing personal and relational challenges both here and in their home countries. Please pray for continued community as we face these challenges, and for wisdom for us as leaders. We do also see the ways He is working in each of these servants, and how he directs their steps. Doors have been opened to some to serve in places that others could not go. We are grateful.

Benjamin & Hannah (Day 11)

Thanks to God and some generous people support raising is off to a good start. We also really appreciated and enjoyed our meet-the-couple party, our 'NZ reception' since we had our wedding in Hannah's country. Please pray for connections with potential supporters, and for me and Hannah to communicate our vision well, and for Hannah as she finishes her IS draft.

MOVEMENTS

Francisco & Joanna (Day 18)

Arrive 4th December

Kevin & Helen (Day 20)

Return 5th December

Rick (Day 21)

Returns 8th Dec

Ashley (Day 11)

Departs 4th Dec

Christopher & Dolly (Day 27)

Depart 5th December

Return 18th January

Bill & Angela (Day 17)

Arrive 10th December

Depart 24th April

David & Meike (Day 10)

Arrive 12th December

Depart 8th January

OFFICE MATTERS

End of year mission partner payments. Thank you for your ongoing financial support for our Mission Partners. There is only one more payday this year on the 18th December. Please ensure your gifts are in by the 17th December at the latest. Gifts after this date will be paid out in the New Year. The first payout in 2026 will be 2nd February. This is quite a long stretch between paydays for our Mission Partners. Please consider their needs during this time when giving prior to Christmas.

Office hours over the holiday period. The office will be closed from the 19th December and will reopen 19th January. Please note this is Wellington Anniversary Day and Heather will be available on the Tuesday after. The rest of the team will be available on Monday.