GUNDAGAI to WEST WYALONG 8-11 February 2021

Having been encouraged by a former principal of a Primary School, we decided to have more of our Children's Booklets and Teen Tracts printed, to offer them to as many schools as we could in the four days we had allowed for this trip. Not having travelled since last October, and also having to try a new strategy because of continuing Government restrictions, we set out very hopeful but not sure of what the response would be. Last year when we took the books to the northern schools we had some difficulty so we had prepared better with phone numbers in case we had to ask permission to enter the school grounds. But God had indeed prepared the way and we were welcomed everywhere.

Our first call was at Marulan, where there is no Scripture, and the Principal felt he could not use the books. As we returned to the car M said that the Preschool would love them so we gave them to her – Marulan children covered! However at Breadalbane, although they have no Scripture classes, the principal, K, was delighted to receive both children's and teen booklets. He and also C were willing to receive the 2021 prayer we had prepared as a petition. At Collector we received the same encouragement from C1, including the opportunity to pray for the school and the community as before. Next was Gunning, where the principal, K1, took the 2021 prayer and a copy of Psalm 91 with the two sets of booklets. Again at Dalton we were well received by E and at Jugiong by D. Each school received the children's and teen booklets and the 2021 prayer.



Adelong School

We arrived in Gundagai for the night.

Next day Gundagai South School received children's and teen booklet sets and R also a copy of Psalm 91 and R1 Psalm 23. At Brungle J and B received both sets and the 2021 prayer. At Tumut C2 gladly received the two sets and at Adelong, R2, who was formerly a Scripture teacher, was most happy to

receive all the booklets on behalf of the school. She also joined our petition prayer for 2021. Batlow was a highlight. L at the school had to meet us at the gate but accepted both sets of booklets and 3 copies of the 2021 prayer to share, but it was at the shop that we met **D1** and **N** with whom we had fellowship and a coffee, along with **J1** and **M1** who were in the shop. We prayed for each of them and they were interested in having a set of the children's books for their rather large families, with the 2021 prayer and Psalm 91. We blessed them with a gift, above the price of the coffee. Next we drove to Tumbarumba where M2 received both sets and our 2021 prayer, and to Rosewood where R3 met us at the gate and received both sets and the 2021 prayer. At each school we visited we had the opportunity to pray for the person who greeted us and for the whole community. We then drove to Humula where S received both sets and the 2021 prayer. At Tarcutta School K2, the principal, and S1 received both sets and each took a copy of Psalm 91. We stayed again in Gundagai South where we prayed for A and her two children, who each received 2 children's books to read on their journey.

Next day we approached Gundagai School where J2 received both sets of booklets. At Nangus the principal, **B1**, was delighted to receive both sets of booklets and a petition prayer, and at Eurongilly we had the same reaction from **S2** – such an encouragement! Then we received the same encouragement at Junee from S3. We drove to Junee North School and J3 received both sets of booklets and a copy of Psalm 91. As

> we pray for people they speak of different situations so that we can offer them prayer or outreach leaflets. Our next stop was Marrar where A1 received both sets of booklets for the school, then to

Coolamon where C3 received both sets and also Psalm 91. We prayed for V at the service station and gave him a copy of Psalm 23. We drove on to Ganmain where M3 appreciated receiving both sets and a 2021 prayer and we had the same Matong School response at Matong from S4. At Ardlethan E1, who was a Scripture teacher, now in admin, told us there is no scripture in the school and no children's ministry in the churches in town. She



Ardlethan School



Ganmain School

obviously felt she should accept our offer so we had to help her get a vision of how she could use the booklets. She decided to take just the children's set and distribute them personally outside of the school. We also prayed for S5, who confessed she was a believer but is now agnostic. At Beckom E2 received both sets of booklets, and at Ariah Park E3 and V1 received both sets of booklets and a 2021 prayer. Barmedman was our last call for the day and C4 was so enthusiastic about our offer that we finished the day on a high, and drove to our motel in West Wyalong. We put up a table but there was no interest. However we did have a great chat to both T and E4 who received a copy of the Holy Spirit prayer to consider, and we gave out 3 little packs of 'concise Bible story' cards we had prepared, to children who passed by the table.

On our fourth day we called at West Wyalong School and S6 received both sets of booklets and at Wyalong School R3 received both sets too as well as a 2021 prayer. At Caragabal T1 received both sets and a 2021 prayer. At Quandialla N1 reminded us that we had offered her these booklets 18 months before but she took another set of the children's booklets. At Bribbaree J3, and C5 the principal, received both sets, and at Maimuru M4, and A2 who is the principal, received both sets of booklets. At Wombat R4 is a very inspiring principal who is actively involved in Scripture in this school. She is very interested in using the leaflets. We prayed for N2 at the service station and gave her a copy of Psalm 23. We drove to Binalong and K3 received both sets and to Bowning where L, who is the principal, was pleased to receive both sets too. We had distributed 460 Children's Booklets and 245 Teen Tracts, prayed with 60 people and visited 38 places. Thank you Lord!