

Unlike our recent trips this one would involve large distances between the schools on our agenda. Our friends WK and A were again our supporters, both in prayer and financially, so we were expecting great results, and sure enough, God gave us great favour and at every school our booklets and prayers were received with appreciation.

We set out on day one to drive to Tirranna School, stopping at Sallys Corner for fuel and a brief prayer with A, who received our 1 Corinthians leaflet. T, at Tirranna, was surprised but pleased too. Next was Tarago School followed by Braidwood School. Although it was trying to rain we went into each school quite dry. We were conscious that we were backed by prayer because everything was going so well.



Bungendore School was our next visit, followed by Captains Flat, where we had a very interesting chat with M, the Principal in this place which is rather "on the edge". These Principals seem very encouraged by our visit because they have many challenges to face each day. We also prayed with three workmen, M, M1 and O. We drove to Googong but we were too late as the school office had closed. All was not lost as F at the OOSH accepted prayer and our booklets with great enthusiasm. Then we drove back to Queanbeyan for the night.



Day two was going to involve some challenging driving. We had decided to go to Jindabyne, Khancoban and Talbingo before the ski season began but we were only just in time it seemed. The road between Khancoban and Talbingo was to be closed from the



following weekend and we were about to find out exactly why this is so. Our first school for the day was Queanbeyan West, then Jerrabomberra, Tirriwirri Special School at Karabar, and Queanbeyan South. Our booklets and prayers were graciously received and we began the long drive to Jindabyne School, stopping at Michelago for fuel (and praying for K). We prayed for A who received the booklets, and began another long drive to Khancoban School, arriving just as school was finishing, but K received our prayers and booklets. We had a late lunch and began the drive to Talbingo as it began to rain and as we moved higher into the mountains the heavy mist was so thick that we could only see five metres ahead. The two hour journey took 3 1/2 hours but we arrived safely at Talbingo Caravan Park. The journey was interesting though in that it gives city people like us an insight into the regular challenges of living in the mountains. We were told that although these small schools in the mountain area (some with less than 15 students) do many activities together, Talbingo and Khancoban can only get together in 1st and 4th terms, as alternative and safer routes are so long that all the school day would be spent travelling.



It rained all night, and after visiting Talbingo School next morning, where we had a long and enjoyable chat with R, the Principal, we drove to Adaminaby in the rain, although at Talbingo School it had not rained while we chatted. We are so conscious of God's care for us in our work because at Adaminaby School it stopped raining too. The whole school was on an excursion so we had to phone the Principal, D, to explain our visit and ask if we might leave the booklets for her to look at. She

graciously acceded to our offer and a brief prayer on the phone. We got fuel and prayed for E there and drove on to Queanbeyan and Queanbeyan East Schools then to Sutton and Gundaroo Schools. We felt a great privilege to have visited these schools and to share our booklets and the idea behind our gift to all these wonderful teachers who are doing their best to teach the principles of godliness in spite of the Education Department ban on speaking about God except in religion classes.

Thank you Lord for being with us and giving us favour.

