

We had a taste of what God wanted to do through us on our last trip, when it seemed that the public schools were needing insights on a new way to fulfil the desire to work in the area of emotional and spiritual education, which had not been supported by the NSW Education Department, in the wake of the rule changes with regard to COVID-19. We began well with two generous donations and assurance of prayer for our trip. On this trip we spoke to many Principals of these primary schools, some by direct Divine appointments and some who came out of their offices when they heard us talking to the receptionist, and every one we spoke to in the schools were nodding agreement and accepting the booklets and prayers for insight and wisdom and for courage to implement whatever God showed them to do, except for one school principal who was obviously stressed and fearful in her job, and she accepted neither. With us on this trip was Trude, who is a trained teacher, and was able to affirm those we met in this regard. We also take the opportunity to pray for other teachers and students, and their families.

On our first day we went to two Singleton schools and two Muswellbrook schools. Then we went to Werris Creek and Currabubula, arriving rather late but the staff still greeted us warmly. We stayed at South Tamworth and had opportunity to pray for 4 people and G, who had lost her home in the floods. G said she was a lapsed Christian so she invited the Holy Spirit into her life again, and we were able to give her a small monetary gift.



Attunga School

On our second day God gave us amazing favour and we visited 14 schools before 3.30 pm finishing time. At each of these schools we were greeted appreciatively and the booklets and the strategy, not to give the booklets to Scripture teachers, but to use them as resource for 'Ethics' classes for non-Scripture classes, and to equip teachers with answers for the emotional and spiritual questions. These schools were Tamworth South, Hillvue, Duri, Westdale, Tamworth West, Oxley Vale, Tamworth, Nemingha, Tintinhull, Kootingal, Moonbi, Bendemeer, Woolbrook, and Attunga. Four Principals encouraged us in our vision because of their appreciation that we understood

their need, thus God also understood and would give them insights. We stayed in Manilla where we met some girls who were afraid of catching COVID-19, so we reassured them with Psalm 91 and a prayer for their health.



Warialda School

Next morning we set out for a very long drive to some more remote schools. Because of the floods this was not as easy as we hoped with large detours to avoid gravel roads which were impassable. We still managed to reach 7; Manilla, Warialda, Delungra, two schools at Inverell (because of the detour) Ashford and Bonshaw. Everyone we met in these schools was appreciative and accepted the booklets and the concept. At Warialda we met the school

chaplain, B, who was quite excited and asked for a second set for his colleague. He concurred with the need God had shown us, and believed that this strategy would help in the problem. The drive back to Manilla was long and tiring but God helped the driver particularly. On our way back we stopped at Barraba for fuel and were so refreshed and encouraged when S, the man at the counter, remembered us from a previous visit because we had prayed for him and a customer.



Carroll School

On our fourth day we drove to Somerton. This was where the Principal refused everything that we offered. We were very sorry at her state but we could do nothing to help her as she was filled with fear of the Department, of COVID-19 and us taking a photo of the school. Our next school was at Carroll where we met a

school Counsellor, R. He also affirmed us and took 3 sets for colleagues. We went on to two Gunnedah schools and then drove a long way to Bellata, which we had missed on a previous visit north. We had also not been able to reach Mallowa School on that trip. If we had been able to use the gravel road it would have been close, but the floods had closed the road so it was a very long detour via the bitumen. We arrived in time to meet the Principal and a teacher, who were still there (thank you Lord!) and they also affirmed us, most appreciatively, in our vision. We drove back to Gunnedah for the night. R at the motel, loved the prayer we prayed for him.



Bellata School



Walhallow School

Our fifth day was a long drive home, but we went to Caroona, Walhallow School, and then Spring Ridge School, where again the Principals were encouraged by our booklets and their suggested use. T, at Spring Ridge, told us of another school that had just re-opened so we drove to Premier School too, and M, the Principal there, also received our booklets. We had prayed for 75 people and 37 communities, distributed 470 children's booklets and 273 Teen tracts and two of our adult books and Trude had faithfully anointed 36 schools. Only our Lord knows how the seed we sowed will grow but all those who accepted seed were delighted to water it. Thank you Lord for this great privilege!