

Hello from the Deep South,

Winter has been a mixture of cold, wet and fine days which has made street outreach rather challenging at times. On days when it hasn't been raining and blowing, I have endured to go into the Octagon in the hope and prayer that I might have a profitable conversation with someone. It's those conversations which make it all worthwhile. That conversation where you come away feeling you may have made a difference to someone's world view. There being only two world views. Man's religion and God's religion.

Sometimes you can spend a lot of time talking or listening and get nowhere. This is the time to remind ourselves that we aren't the ones in control, God is. So, with a word and a prayer we ask for these things to be blessed in the name that is above all names that is in the

name of Jesus.

I had a great time recently in Ngaruawahia at the Christian Youth Camp. It was a camp speakers conference to help us become better at camp speaking. This was a combined Outreach and Church Ministries and Christian Camping Event. It was a very worthwhile weekend as we were blessed with great speakers sharing with us how to become better communicators both to adults using apologetics and children by being creative with resources. It was good to meet new people and to be encourage



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by others in their various roles of ministry as we shared with one another the blessings of serving our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. We also got to take the Sunday School at the Village Church in Ngaruawahia as a team. All in all a great weekend away.

John Corson who is our volunteer evangelist down in Invercargill has been using the flip chart twice a week and occasionally teams up with other like-minded people in sharing the Gospel but has also been challenged with a cold winter.



Coming up

7-11 October is the next Children's Holiday Program. Our theme is Who am I?

I am the good shepherd.

I am the true vine.

I am the light of the world.

I am the resurrection and the life.

I am the way the truth and the life.

We will have a good team of young leaders who will be acting out skits to introduce the theme for each day. We will have a training day the Saturday before the program. I'm expecting maybe ten teenagers and 40-50 kids at the program.

Prayer

- If you could please pray for the up-and-coming Children' Holiday Program that many children would come and hear the good news.
- That our Leaders in Training (LIT's) afternoon would be a great time of equipping teenagers for children's ministry which will help us to manage greater numbers of children.
- For more opportunity to speak to people out on the streets.
- To be able to team up with others in sharing the Gospel.
- Pray for John Corson as he is often by himself when sharing the Gospel in windy old Invercargill.

Thanks for your prayers. Shane Louie | OAC