



Christchurch Update

February 2025

Marty, Roy and Steve are still doing outreach in and around Christchurch.

Steve shifted a few months back and they have settled into their new rental on Marshlands Road. They have taken on a foster boy who is 12 years old, he is settling in well. Steve continues with regular involvement at three old folks homes doing devotions. Steve has kept in contact with Kieren from the UK who he shared with on the street and who then gave his life to Christ and is growing in his faith.

Roy is looking after his mum after his dad died in March. His mum has been in hospital recently. Roy is still doing prison ministry at Rolleston which is going well. Roy got punched in the face in the city by a guy we know pretty well, this was unprovoked and Roy managed to get a message out of it which he shared at Tuesday Fellowship at Southwest Baptist church talking about turning the other cheek and forgiveness.

Marty has continued speaking at kids camps during the year, a combined Rally camp in June, CDN kids camp at Woodend in July and Forest Lakes camp in September. Sue and Marty head up to Curious Cove on Sunday to speak at their senior camp, I used to speak at these camps around 25 years ago.



Steve preaching in the square. We still get in regularly to preach and share the gospel with regular opposition from hecklers, but we are joined by a few others who are on our side.

Christmas programme at Temuka school was outside due to asbestos in the rooms we usually use. Roy and Marty did 13 Christmas programmes. Alison Anderson was able to get us back into Winchester school again after a 3 year gap. Marty joined with Al Drye again to do Rakaia, Dorie and Chertsey schools.





Marty and Pierre the FBI agent (Faithful Bible Investigator) at Mairehau primary school, asking the kids, who is MrX? As in Merry XMas etc. Roy shared the Christmas story, we sang Happy birthday Jesus, gave a gift away and finished with a game of Christmas Zonk to review the main teaching.

This is an opt-in programme now, for many years we had the whole school. We do encourage the kids to be like the shepherds and share the great news of the Saviour's birth with others.

Roy sharing the Christmas gift box at a home church that runs a kids club and invite kids and parents into their home for a final meeting. This girl was the youngest Roy chose to receive the gift out of all our programmes, she did well as Roy shared the message inside that reveals GOD'S SON as the greatest gift ever given and a heart balloon to represent God's love for all people.



Tuesday Fellowship at Southwest Baptist church continues to be a regular invite for Marty and Roy. We are always encouraged when we speak there and of course Marty has to take one of his muppet friends as well.

Thank you for taking time to read this.



*And let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works, not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching.
Hebrews 10v24-25*