

From the Toolbox

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Naden Family New letter

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Greetings my brethren

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In the name of our Lord and saviour Jesus Christ and by the power of his blessed Holy Spirit we greet you all. I hope this letter finds you well and safe and secure in Christ.



Contrary to what you may have heard we have not been snatched by aliens or entered the realms of eternity nor have we moved overseas even though Dubbo may seem to many to be quite foreign. We remain safe in the arms of the Father and comforted by his assurance of Christ soon return. In anticipation we listen for the trumpet and await the call from on high knowing his word is true and his promise to return for us will be fore filled very, very soon. The year past as thrown up many challengers and life's road was found to be filled with many a pothole but we made it through. Doubt as poked up its ugly head and for a while frustration became a companion

but through it all God still remained on the throne. There is none like Him who reigns from on high and there is no comfort like that of his Holy Spirit. Christ reassures us that we need not win the battle but stand up and claim the victory because he alone as done it all. Praise the Name of His son Jesus.

We have settled into life here and are currently attending the Dubbo Christian Family Church which previously worshiped under the banner of the AIM. Pastor David Cox who is the wife of my sister Rose, is a man of God who sticks to the word and is a great teacher for young and old. Although this year found me tied up a bit with the care of my Mum and Dad I have enjoyed the rest immensely. I have tried to keep myself busy doing a few funerals and weddings around the traps and also preaching every now and then at Gilgandra AIM Church. In the new year God willing my wife and I with the help of Josh & Pearl will take over the running of the Church Youth group and be responsible for the teaching of our young ones. Pray with us concerning this.

Israel – In November Alex and I will once again travel with (59) others this year from all parts of Australia to walk in the steps of Our Lord Jesus. I am privileged to be one of the leaders of the group as they embark on the first stage of a Diploma in Christian Counselling. Modules will be held in Tiberius and also Jerusalem with some sightseeing and great fellowship thrown in to add to the experience. Please pray for us and with us as our mob get a taste of the Middle East and Israel first hand.

ECCIYN – (2013 report attached) , In September 2014 we hope to Lord willing be able to take a bus load or two to far North Qld to attend the Convention at Delta Downs Station in Normanton. This is a wonderful opportunity for some of our young people to visit Croc country and meet and fellowship with others from all around the top end. We will be sleeping on the river bank in tents, sweating under the extreme heat of the northern sun and maybe eating barramundi and sharing the gospel with others from all across the country. (They don't know what they're getting themselves in to) We have decided to try and raise a bit of money to help cover cost for the hire of a 24 seater bus or 2 depending on who comes with us but it should be a good experience for everyone.



On the 20th to the 23rd of January 2015 for our ten year celebration we have booked out Bornhoffen PCYC camp site on the Gold Coast of Qld. Some exciting things are planned and much prayer support is needed as we expect a big mob to attend. Having Leon & Sheryn Turvey from Mt Druitt Indigenous Church take full responsibility for the

organising and running of this year's ECCIYN Youth Camp was awesome and the job they did couldn't be bettered. They are a wonderful young couple who God will continue to bless in the years to come. Praise the Lord for them.

Family : I am continually thanking God for the many blessings which are mine in having the family He has given me. The health of everyone is fine and the spiritual wellbeing of all can only be attributed to the grace of God and the work of his Holy Spirit and the completed work of his Son Jesus. Cody as decided to move on and is now living with another family somewhere in NSW . We pray that what he was able to learn while he was with us and during his many times at church will be a blessing for him in the future.

Brendon and Amy are soon to depart for Katanning in WA where Brendon will take on the pastoral role within the small fellowship over there. They have decided to take up the challenge to minister to Brendon's people even though they are not promised any wage or a house to live in. But they have learnt and know that He who calls also keeps.

Their three daughters, **Taylah, Kyarna and Lilly** are as lovely as ever and continue to grow into beautiful young women. Little man **Israel** looks so much like me it's astounding, it's like looking in the mirror with his neat smile. I think it should be good for the kids to get to know the Garlett side of the family. We will miss them but know they are in God's hands and no place could be better or safer.



Sarah has completed her studies at University and has been offered a teaching position at Glendore Public School in Newcastle. Those years of hard yakka have finally paid off for her and to put into practice that which she has learnt is so good to see. She will finish the year in Nowra working at the Anglican school before she makes the move but would value your prayers as she must find a place to live close to the school before work starts in Jan 2014.



Joshua and Jenice are now living in Dubbo for twelve months before they head to Karuah to work the AJN Oyster Lease in the waters around the local river. They will help out with the youth work next year before moving and sit under the teaching of Dave while here. Jenice like Sarah as completed her studies also and seeks a teaching position in the future.

Emily unlike Sarah and Jenice as just began the journey to becoming a teacher with her first year soon drawing to a close. She finished her Diploma in Ministry with the Sydney Baptist College but wants to now get her teaching degree. During the week she tutors school kids at the University campus in Dubbo and has also taken on a supervisor's job with the other tutors.

Nikayaha is now in year 5 and as just returned from a trip to Canberra with her school . She as finished her first year of tennis training and looks to get into swimming. Loves reading and bike riding and fights to go to bible study of a Wednesday night. I'm not real sure if it's the word or the fact she stays out of bed later that makes her so eager to be there.

Benji is the David Beckham of the family and scores a few goals in the local soccer comp, his good company and loves bible quizzes at church. The two younger ones often pray for the salvation of their mother and family without any persuasion and can't wait for the travel to Gosford to see them.

Alexandra is my wonder woman, she's the love of my life and my best friend apart from the Lord. The fact God gave me her proves that he loves me. Praise the Lord.

I thank and praise God for all your support and love over the years and continue to rely upon our saviour for his protection, guidance and provision. May the Lord be ever close as the end draws near and may he richly bless you with all you need at this time and into the future.

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