

Hill's Christian Life Church

Missions Newsletter - April 2011

Northern Territory

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In March I went to Darwin on the invitation of Roger Latham to go and "help out" with Love Feast 2011, a conference held at Long Grass Mansion in the centre of Darwin.

Long Grass Mansion has been established as a church for the local Long Grass People, so called because they are homeless and live in the long grass and bush around the Darwin area. Love Feast turned out to be four days of meetings, from 8am till 10pm where we worshipped, spent copious amounts of time on our faces or backs on the carpet, listened to teaching, prophesied and laid hands on each other. Long Grass Mansion is pastored by Ros and Ash Field, a young couple with three kids who work closely with Roger and Viv Latham as well as Heidi and Rolland Baker's Iris Ministries.



Ros and Ash walked into Darwin a year ago with a burning vision to preach the Gospel to the poorest of our Aboriginal people, put down a \$50,000 rent cheque for a building right in the centre of Darwin and got to work. They are, as Roger describes, "Holy Ghost people" who spend their lives living in the joy and love of Jesus, feeding and praying for His precious Long Grass People, leading them to salvation and healing their sicknesses and injuries. I personally prayed for healing for several folk and saw some amazing miracles. Mostly I

experienced the amazing love of God for four days which completely messed with my priorities and ideas of God. Four days in the presence of God, experiencing His Glory was amazing and I will be going back to the NT, as soon as I can!

Bali and Lombok - Proposed Hills Church trip - October

In October this year we hope to raise a team interested in heading off to Bali and Lombok. The team will work with the kids at the two children's Homes supported by our Hills Church community.

If you are looking for a really awesome time, full of God moments and connecting with kids and young adults who need to hear and share in God's abundant love, this is for you.

Do not feel as though you have nothing to offer - all you need is to come with a willing servant's heart and you will enjoy the experience of a lifetime!

Are you Interested?

Please prayerfully consider and speak to John Williams either after Church or ring on 0404507880

IT'S BACK ... yes, one of the highlights of the Hill's social calendar – the TRIVIA NIGHT - is returning!!! It will be held later this year (date TBA shortly, Sept/Oct?). Start telling your friends. This is an event not to be missed.

Don't forget: we have the fundraising dinner for the Lathams on **SATURDAY 16TH OF APRIL @ Rapture @ 7pm. IT WILL BE YUMMY!!**

NT trip (June/July)

Time when the Hills Team leaves is fast approaching, the tickets are booked and training starts this month.

Please pray for the team as they prepare to 'raise the Jesus level', to be a blessing and be blessed as they journey with the Palumpa Mob and Rog and Viv Latham.

Gisela is returning this weekend, read some of her South African journey in Lynette's article.

As most of you know, Lynette (from Rapture) travelled with our own 'white gogo' (grandmother) to Whiteriver to see the house Gisela raised funds for. Can't wait to hear the unabridged version from Gis!!

Lynette writes, South Africa March 2011

What a privilege it was to travel with Gisela to White River, South Africa. We must honour David and Lole Taylor, who opened their home to us for 2 weeks, gave us a car to use, did all the negotiating with the builder of Lucky's house, interpreted Zulu to English where necessary and taught us much about African culture!

The first week we visited Bongi and Lucky, (who is now 3), in their new home. Bongi laughs and cries as she tells how God told 'white gogo' to build her a house, and how blessed she is to have received a house from God! We asked Bongi what she needed in her home, and spent the week looking for bargains for the basic necessities to complete her home. We had a 'church' dedication ceremony with the 'God-men and God-women' of the area, and anointed the home and boundary fence line with oil, the blood of Jesus.

The second week we spent some time each day at the Hope Centre. Previously, this was the feeding project run by Bukewi from her home. Joyce Meyer Ministries have sponsored this project by building stage 1 of the Hope Centre. This includes a cooking area and hall, where up to 100 children come every day after school to receive a free meal. It is led by Bukewi and her assistant Cyprian. Bongi also works at the Hope Centre as a cleaner. All the workers work two days on two days off, either as cook, cleaner or grounds person. For Bongi to stay connected with the Hope Centre provides her with faith, encouragement and accountability, and further security



for her and Lucky. The Hope Centre is in need of many supplies, such as a fridge, freezer, tables, chairs, bible teaching resources, and kids activity resources.

(Further building stages will include small cottages to house orphans with one woman to be house mother.)

Thank you to everyone who supported Gisela with funds to build Lucky's house. Thanks to Hills church for the regularly support to provide food to the Hope Centre.

I'm looking forward to further support and development of the Hope Centre!

Thanks, Lynette