

# THE MOSHERS IN NEW ZEALAND

Taking the soul-saving Gospel to a lost and dying world



## The mind of a man plans his ways...

But the LORD surely directs his steps (Proverbs 16:9)! We are happy to report on another month in the Lord's work. This past month can be categorised as "Well, that didn't go as planned..." We know the Lord must direct our steps.

### ILLNESS

The major setback this past month has been some illnesses. The day after Tyler arrived (read about his work below), Kristen went to Palmerston North for the annual Ladies Challenge hosted by the Palmerston North church of Christ. This would have been Kristen's first night to stay away from Silas. Kristen still has not spent a night away from Silas.

About noon that Friday, Silas started coming down with some illness, which turned out to be hand, foot, and mouth disease, a common disease among children. The first symptom is usually high fever. His high fever caused a febrile convulsion, resulting in an ambulance ride, a four-hour stay at the hospital, and his mommy leaving Ladies Challenge early. Febrile convulsions happen in about 5% of children under 2. It is not linked to epilepsy or any other lifelong problem, and almost all children completely outgrow them by the time they're six years old. We are glad to say Silas has overcome hand, foot, and mouth, and he is back to normal.

Unfortunately, I did something even rarer than Silas' convulsion- I caught his disease! Adults rarely catch such childhood diseases, but when they do, it can be severe. It was. To spare you from details, I'll say that it kept me

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off my feet for about ten days, and I am still trying to recover from it. Unfortunately the symptoms started hitting me four days into Tyler's thirteen-day trip to Porirua.

### **TYLER**

Since we moved here, Tyler Naes and I have always talked about how great it would be to have him in Porirua to help with the work here. Thanks to some very generous brethren, he was able to come for nearly two weeks.

On average, Tyler preached and/or taught one lesson per day, including recording two lessons in my studio. I will hopefully have those lessons available this time next month. In addition to his public teaching, Tyler also covered many, many kilometres of Porirua through letterboxing for the church.

Unfortunately, most of the time Tyler was here, I was hardly able to walk, much less travel and letterbox. I am grateful for John and Erin Jones' willingness to step in and take Tyler to his appointments and fill his extra time with church fellowship and various evangelistic jobs.

Tyler's work will continue to spread in NZ and beyond, though he has already made it back home. We are already looking forward to the next time he can come. Prayerfully, next time we will all be blessed with great health.

### **YOUTH GROUP**

At the beginning of October, we had 21 people show up for youth group. John and Erin had organised a Geocaching day. In essence, Geocaching is a world-wide scavenger hunt in the digital age. We went around the region finding trinkets that other people had left in hidden places. We found them by following clues online. John and Erin had prepared a few Geocaches to plant, as well. They had Scriptures on them about seeking God.

### **RESIDENCY**

By now, you might have heard that we were granted residency to New Zealand! We are very grateful to our God and those who have been praying on our behalf. Gaining residency means that we can stay and work in New Zealand for as long as we would like, with a few limitations. In the next couple of years, we will work on upgrading that to "Permanent Residency," which will remove those limitations.

### **CONCLUSION**

We are always thanking God for your love and generosity. Keep praying that the gospel will spread and that He will send more workers into His fields. Lift up your eyes; the fields are already white for the harvest.

Keep serving Him.

*Lance, Kristen, and Silas Mosher*



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**TYLER PREACHING IN PORIRUA**



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