

THE MOSHERS IN NEW ZEALAND

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



2018 PORIRUA/WELLINGTON NEW ZEALAND CAMPAIGN FOR CHRIST

Another campaign and camp are in the books!

I've told a few people that I've been playing a game of catch up, and I am losing. There is always a lot of work to catch up on after three weeks of campaigning, but it is well worth it. We've done some great work for the Lord, and He is glorified.

LYSSH, OUR NEW SISTER

In 2013, John and I met Lyssh at the local market, when we had a booth set up there. We were later able to spend some time with her in Bible study, but the studies eventually "fizzled out."

It turns out that Lyssh is good friends with Dora, a local Christian whom I taught in 2014. While taking Make Disciples Training Program, Dora approached Lyssh with some questions and was able to set up a Bible study with her. Things went well. On the night of the sixth study, Dora asked me to keep my phone turned up and near my bed (it is normally charging on Do Not Disturb in another room), as the study would not finish until late at night. Around midnight of the 23rd (the same day the campaigners arrived), Dora called me saying, "You know what this is about." Less than an hour later, I met with Dora, Lyssh, and Lyssh's husband at Titahi Bay beach. I then baptized Lyssh into Christ (when it was 40°F outside)!

If you would like to send her your regards and congratulations, send cards and notes of to:

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CAMPAIGN

On the 23rd of May, several New Zealand congregations welcomed 34 American Christians to begin working with them on a North Island-wide campaign for Christ. Kevin Moore has drafted a report on the entire campaign (attached). Here is some information specifically about the Wellington Region work.

We were allocated eleven campaigners. They hit the ground running with training. John and I took them through our Make Disciples Training Program Seminar. They began knocking doors and setting Bible studies on Friday, the 25th. Overall, we knocked 1,992 doors, had 757 conversations, set 21 Bible studies, and had 30 “call backs” (people inviting us to visit or call them later to continue developing their interest).

Beyond door-knocking in several suburbs, the campaigners also letterboxed, did various handy jobs around the church buildings, taught Bible classes of all ages, and encouraged every local Christian they spent time with.

The campaigners have made it back home safely. The local Christians are now very busy with follow-up Bible studies and call backs.

CAMP

This year marked the Porirua church’s sixth annual Queen’s Birthday Weekend Camp. It was our biggest yet with 144 people attending Sunday worship. We had several activities and six lessons. The lessons were presented by people connected with Bear Valley. You can listen to them at [this link](#).

FAMILY UPDATES

For the past couple of weeks, Asher has been quite sick with a viral chest infection. He’s slowly improved, but it may be another week or so before he’s back to normal. The rest of us have also had our share of colds and allergies associated with the change of season. We are definitely in winter now!

Asher loves playing with balls and watching his very active big brother. Silas has become quite creative with his LEGOs. He loves animals and enjoys going to preschool. This coming Sunday, the 17th of June, Asher will turn one year old (really?!). And a month later, on the 17th of July, Silas will turn four!

Thank you all for your continued love and support of our family and our work. Please continue to pray for us.

Keep serving Him,
Lance, Kristen, Silas, and Asher Mosher



ALL 34 CAMPAIGNERS TOGETHER AT CAMP



SILAS LOVES CAMP!



LYSSH (LEFT) WITH DORA (RIGHT) AFTER LYSSH’S BAPTISM

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Report on the 2018 New Zealand Campaign for Christ

On the 21st of May, thirty-four campaigners headed toward the Southern Hemisphere, arriving in New Zealand approximately thirty-one hours later. The group consisted of twenty-four Freed-Hardeman University students, three high school students, and seven older adults. We divided into four teams to work with churches in the following cities: (a) South Auckland and Hamilton, (b) New Plymouth, (c) Palmerston North and Wanganui, (d) Wellington and Porirua. Other congregations in Auckland, Foxton, and Petone also benefited.

During the next three weeks these campaigners worked tirelessly with local Christians to share the gospel with multiplied thousands of households by distributing printed materials, door-knocking (over 8,000 homes), and setting up around 70 personal Bible studies. Additional contacts were made for follow up, 30 DVDs were requested, and several visitors have attended church services (including the New Plymouth Bible seminar). In the coming months we anticipate hearing about what the Lord of the harvest does through these efforts.

Another aim has been to encourage the NZ brethren and build up the churches with whom we worked. This goal was visibly achieved. The students taught Bible classes for all ages, and the young men helped with devotionals and worship services, including song-leading and preaching. There were youth activities (including inter-congregational gatherings), daily devotionals, and service projects. NZ Christians were motivated to get involved in the work and have received the proverbial shot in the arm, not to mention the local evangelists and their families.

In the midst of campaigning a national holiday (Queen's Birthday weekend) allowed us to gather for a nation-wide camp on the Lower North Island for Bible lessons, singing, praying, and fellowship. Christians from all around the North Island attended. Sunday morning we had a record attendance of 144. It was a spiritually-uplifting time for all.

The campaigners received valuable training and experience in missions, returning home with greater enthusiasm for and dedication to the Lord's work. Our prayer is for future missionaries to emerge from this outstanding group of young Christians.

Thank you for being an important part of God's mission in New Zealand, and we solicit your continued prayers. Only in eternity will we realize the full impact of this campaign. May the Lord be glorified.

Because of Him,

Kevin L. Moore
FHU Director of Missions Studies



Bear Valley Bible Institute

N E W Z E A L A N D

Courses Offered This Quarter:

- Personal Evangelism 2; John Jones, Instructor
- Life of Christ 4; Chris Herd, Instructor
- Hebrews; Daniel Boys, Instructor
- Christian Ethics; Trevor Major, Instructor
- The Work Life of an Evangelist; Mark Reynolds, Instructor
- World Religions; John Jones, Instructor

Greetings! We are all trying to catch our breath. We just completed a North Island-wide campaign and camp/lectureship. Thirty-four Christians from the USA came to New Zealand to work with 11 congregations in New Zealand to contact over 8,000 homes for Christ. All of our Bear Valley students and New Zealand staff were involved in the campaign.

We also hosted our second annual lectureship, which was grafted into the Porirua church's annual Queen's Birthday Weekend Camp. We had a record attendance of 144 people on Sunday morning, with at least twelve congregations represented. All of the lessons were presented by people somehow connected to Bear Valley. You can listen to the lessons presented at the lectureship at [this link](#).

At the end of next month, we should be graduating our first three students. It's hard to believe we've been doing this for two years already!

Thank you for your love and support of this work. Please keep praying for us. God bless you!

Lance Mosher, BVBINZ Director