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News, photos and testimonies from Revival Fellowship assemblies around the world

Introduction

We start off this issue with a round-up of the Australian State Rallies that were held throughout 2010 in place of an International Convention—plenty of local excitement and opportunities to evangelise.

We then bring you news from all over the world: Vanuatu, Africa, PNG and Brazil, to name a few. The “gospel” of course means “Good News”. And there’s *plenty* of it in this edition to thank the Lord for, including some marvellous testimonies from Africa and PNG.

We wrap up with a few notes from new outreaches, the Council Meetings in October and reports on a couple of Christmas Camps as well as the Australian Leadership Camp in March.

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All in all, we are most grateful that God continues to bless our Fellowship.

Jesus explained in John chapter 10, “*I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep*”. It’s an odd thing. Most sheep farmers kill and eat some of their sheep. But Jesus tells us his love for us drives him to do the reverse. He came to give us life. In fact, he promised us in the same passage: “*I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.*”

And by God’s grace, we certainly do have abundant lives.

Australian and overseas rallies

Throughout 2010 we held local Australian State Rallies instead of a single, large International Convention. It worked out well and proved to be an interesting change. There are reports below on how they all went. In 2011 we’re back to a single International Convention in Adelaide in June (see details below). Hope to see you there!

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We believe in the infallibility of the Bible.

We believe Jesus Christ is the son of God.

We believe the gospel of His death, resurrection, and directive to repent, be baptised and receive the Holy Spirit.

We believe we are baptised into the Body of Christ (the Church) through the Holy Spirit, with the Bible evidence of speaking in tongues.

We believe in the miraculous gifts of the Holy Spirit in the Church.

We believe in prayer for the sick and healing by the power of God.

We believe the Bible identifies modern nations and gives signs of the imminent return of Jesus Christ.



The Sydney band performing

New South Wales Rally

June 12th–14th Newcastle

The Newcastle Fellowship hosted the 2010 NSW State Rally in the Broadmeadow Performing Arts School auditorium, catering for over 400 saints. Apart from most NSW assemblies, visitors also came from Brisbane, Gold Coast and Adelaide. “We even had one family from Darwin and a couple from New Zealand,” Pastor Mark Hall tells us.

“The theme for the conference was “Together, Let’s Go”, with ministry, items and testimonies emphasising the value and strength of our unity in the Spirit. Outreaching took place in the city and everyone had a great time of fellowship.”

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North Queensland Rally meeting





Assembled pastors at the South East Asian Regional Rally



Some of the outreaching in Darwin

North Queensland Rally

July 2nd–5th Cairns

The Cairns assembly hosted the North Queensland Rally and turned on a great weekend of lovely weather, great fellowship and excellent entertainment. The theme for the rally was “Awaken” and those who came from around Queensland fitted nicely into the Cairns’ assembly’s extended hall.

The assembly also sorted out the catering, including a barbecue and followed up with a great concert on the Saturday night.

Outreaching around town was followed by a special meeting at the Rydges Esplanade Hotel, resulting in a baptism at the midweek meeting.

Some of the saints enjoying a shared meal at the Queensland Rally



Queensland pastors’ meeting



South East Asian Regional Rally

July 17th–18th Darwin

The Darwin assembly decided to turn their Northern Territory Rally into a wider event, the “South East Asian Regional Rally”, and invited participants from around Asia. They came from Bali, Singapore and the Philippines, as well as from Australia.

Preparations for the event started with letter-box drops through suburbs of Darwin and Palmerston, as well as labelled balloons at local markets and advertising on community television.

The theme “Making a Difference” provided plenty of scope for visiting speakers to develop a message from the Word, as well as updating attendants on the extensive revival we are experiencing around Asia. The weekend was hosted by the Darwin assembly at their ample property in the suburb of Leanyer. The rally also provided a rare opportunity for the twelve pastors present to catch up with one another and enjoy afternoon tea and a barbecue.

Apart from the spiritual side to the weekend, there was time in the busy schedule for visitors to take in the famous Sunset Market, a National Park or two, and of course, Darwin’s famous crocodiles. A baptism rounded out the weekend nicely.

Pastor Ivan Tester of Darwin concludes: “A good time, as usual, was had by all ... Darwin will host another event in 2012 (should the Lord tarry). Get in early!”



Saints chatting after one of the meetings



There were some wonderful testimonies over the weekend



The Victorian and Tasmanian Pastors' Meeting

Central Perth video advertisement



Victorian/Tasmanian Rally

October 16th–17th Melbourne

The Victorian/Tasmanian Rally was held in Melbourne. Saints gathered from around the state as well as across the water from Tasmania. Melbourne's normal venue was packed to the gunnels with visitors coming from as far as Perth, Adelaide and Queensland.

The theme for the weekend was "Jesus is *Still* the Answer", and some great ministry reminded us of that profound truth in the face of a world that is materially affluent, but spiritually destitute.

As always, the testimonies of God's remarkable life-changing power were wonderful and the entertainment was superb. The host assembly somehow catered to the overflowing crowd (Italian theme) and later on put on some great fellowship at a nearby restaurant (again, distinctly Italian...).

The Council decided to hold their end-of-year meetings in the lead-up to the Victoria/Tasmania Rally. See that report below.

You couldn't help but go away full, in every sense, after such a great weekend.

Western Australian Rally

October 30th–31st Perth

"We used the rally as an opportunity to extend the gospel message and tried a couple of things we haven't done before", reports Pastor Kevin Quirk.

Most of the outreaching was done around the port City of Fremantle, where the Sunday meetings were conducted at the well-known Esplanade Hotel ballroom. "We had prophecy boards set out in the mall for several days, manned by our faithful evangelist types. And we also tried a new idea: the monster seven metre video continuous advertising screen in central Perth. This is viewed



Passers-by in Fremantle chat about Bible prophecy



Composite view of one of the Western Australian Rally meetings



The Chairman in Perth

by 15,000 passers-by each day. We had enquiries from both.”

The Sunday meetings and fellowship were great, with two baptisms.

Vanuatu Rally

Heading overseas, and while we’re on the subject of rallies, here are excerpts from Pastor Bob Beverley of Canberra’s recent report on the 2010 Vanuatu Rally, including the wonderful news of 53 folk baptised:

“We held our first Vanuatu rally in Port Vila May 14–16. Pastors Jeffed from Tanna, Willie from Santo and Kelpet from Malekula came with about fifty of their people travelling on small cargo boats.

Pastor Joseph Licht and the brothers and sisters in Vila had done a great job with all the organising for the rally itself and for accommodation and food for the PNG saints and the brethren from the islands. Pastor Joseph and some of the brothers had constructed a large extension to the hall for the expected increase in the assembly.

Twenty six came from Australia, mainly from Canberra and the Central Coast, and we were thrilled to have 14 from PNG including Pastors Daniel Tounei, Michael Kuman and Jimmy Anton.

In the days prior to the rally we evangelised around town and in the hospital and on the Thursday the PNG visitors outreached in the market house with singing, testimonies and some fiery preaching from Pastor Daniel and Pastor Jimmy. The pamphlets had salvation and healing testimonies and the rally theme “When Jesus Comes Back Are You Ready?”

It was wonderful to see the brothers and sisters from Vanuatu, PNG and Australia all working together so powerfully despite a few language difficulties.

Congratulating some of the baptism candidates after baptism



The local Ni Van pastors in Vanuatu



Santo group on stage





PNG sisters visiting Vanuatu for the rally



Pastor Sammy of Kenya and Pastor Brian Allen sharing a joke



Kenya Rally meeting in progress



Daisy healed of brain tumour

The hospital is close to the hall and there were many people prayed for with a number baptised and Spirit-filled and many healings.

Including the week following the rally, 53 people were baptised and the great majority Spirit-filled.

Everyone agreed the rally was great encouragement for the church and we provisionally decided that we will hold the next rally in Santo in 2012."

Pan-African Rally

The second Pan-Africa Rally was held at Machakos, Kenya in August 2010, and Pastor Brian Allen reports "it was even better than the first."

"About 400 Kenyan saints attended, along with our leaders from Rwanda, Burundi, Zimbabwe, Zambia and D.R. Congo, as well as two brothers from Holland and a sister from Uganda.

At the pastors' meetings before and after the rally a lot of emphasis was placed on organising ourselves to be more effective in the Lord's work, becoming self sufficient, and taking responsibility for revival in Africa. The theme of this year's rally was "Walk the Talk" and a lot of good ministry was heard from both the Kenyan pastors and the visiting leaders."

Kenya Rally Sunday after the meeting



Papua New Guinea Rally

PNG too had their National Rally in September last year at Aitape. It was a massive success with 8000 people attending. With such a large crowd, even the local police got involved by welcoming the saints to Aitape and providing safe escorts as they arrived and left the area.

Over the Rally week an astonishing 800 folk were baptised and many healing miracles took place. Praise the Lord. As a special treat, there were 19 visitors from West Papua and five of those were baptised.

Our senior pastor in PNG, Pastor Godfrey Wippon, was moved to see such a great number of saints and observers and so many baptisms and healings taking place.

The number of folk wanting to be baptised increased as the crowd moved down to the beach. Pastor Godfrey explained that many feared persecution from the local church leaders while they were up at the rally, but were encouraged by seeing others take the step of faith down at the water's edge.

David Cashman from Perth assembly attended the Rally and describes his experience as follows:

“Being in PNG for the rally in September 2010 has been one of the most amazing and memorable experiences of my life. Barely a day goes by when I do not find myself daydreaming about it. I find it difficult to explain the overwhelming privilege of watching over 800 baptisms and witnessing dozens of amazing miracles. The love of the brethren and sense of unity was immediately apparent. So too the PNG saints’ generosity and friendship.

During the prayer line on the opening day of the rally a lady in a wheelchair was directly in front of me. I later found out her name was Gertrude. She had been paralysed for over ten years and could not move her right arm and could neither stand nor walk. Her son, who has been saved since 1990, had invited her to come to the rally. Before prayer had begun we were listening to a pastor preaching about Jesus and the promise of healing with examples from the Bible. While the pastor was preaching, Gertrude started to move her arm and in amazement looked up at me and raised her arm as if wanting me to help her stand up. I recalled Jesus words “rise, take up thy bed and walk” and said to Gertrude as I stepped back to give her room “No, you stand up”. Without any



Pastors, leaders and wives from nearby African countries at Kenya Rally



Gertrude steps from her wheelchair



Part of the crowd at the PNG Rally



Thousands arrive from around PNG for the National Rally



Lumi Assembly representatives arrive



hesitation, Gertrude stood. I will never forget the look of sheer joy and amazement on her face. Gertrude then put both her arms out in front of her as if wanting me to help her walk and again I simply stepped back and said “No, you walk...” which she did. Praise the Lord.

After the prayer line had finished, Pastor Godfrey asked if anyone had just been healed, to which about twenty hands went up. Many folk were asked to come forward and explain to the crowd what had just happened to them. A pastor called Henry testified of a healing he had just received from a paralysed arm and leg. A boy went up and tried to explain what he had been healed of. He suddenly received the Spirit—on the platform—and began to speak in other tongues. Another young man was holding up crutches he no longer needed as he too had been healed from being lame. Gertrude too managed to walk up the stairs onto the stage. And like the boy, she spoke in tongues as she tried to explain how the Lord had just healed her.

Later that day they asked me to baptise Gertrude. I felt both privileged and humbled.”

In other news, the assembly near Mt Wilhelm (the highest peak in PNG) has built a hall from stone which seats around 1000 people. This has impressed the local authorities as the hall was completed by the church with no outside financial assistance.

Revival is continuing in PNG with around 150 baptisms each week.

International Rallies

In case you suddenly feel inspired to attend one of these overseas rallies, the upcoming list for the balance of 2011 is as follows:

Euro Rally, Rotterdam, Holland

June 2nd–5th

(NB Billeting is available)

Pan-African Rally, Kenya

August 7th–16th

Fiji Rally, Suva

August 26th–29th

PNG National Rally, Tari

September 19th–26th

Hundreds come to be baptised down at the beach



Jordan Fumbelo

Zambezi, Zambia

Raised from the dead at one year seven months.

The name of this child is Jordan Fumbelo, son of sister Miniva and Patrick Fumbelo, our leader for the Revival Fellowship Zambia in charge of assemblies in the three districts of Chavuma, Zambezi and Kabompo of the North-western province of Zambia.

At the age of one year and seven months Jordan was with his brothers and sisters walking along the flooded stream. While they were busy playing he disappeared. His brothers looked for him, but their search proved futile. Ninety minutes later passers-by found Jordan already drowned in the deep water. The Good Samaritan informed the eldest brother, who promptly dived into the stream to retrieve the body. He rushed the corpse to their mother, Miniva. She was not shaken by the situation, but she prayed and challenged God with His promise of healing the sick and raising the dead in the name of Jesus.

After an hour of prayer the child came back to life. Jordan is now two and a half years old: you can see him standing in front of the damaged bridge where he drowned during the flood. The family thank God for this miracle.



Maureen Malope

Ndola Assembly, Copperbelt Province, Zambia

My name is Maureen Malope. Just after my baby was born he became seriously ill and we took him to the Yengwe Children's Hospital. He was unconscious and we thought he was going to die. While he was in the hospital, the bones of his head became deformed and started to rise at the top, protruding out of the skin. After two days the doctors told us to prepare ourselves because our baby would not live. Then I phoned Mrs Mubambe who is the wife of our leader in Ndola, and she and others started praying for my child.

The Lord answered our prayers and the baby was discharged from the hospital, although the head was still badly deformed. When we came home I went with my baby to visit Mr and Mrs Mubambe, and many of the saints came to see us. They were astonished at the deformities and many said that they had never seen anything like it. They laid hands on him and we prayed for a complete healing. The next day there was an amazing change and the bones of the head moved back into place. He was well and I was able to start breast-feeding him.

In the past we used to go to different churches where so-called prophets sold us magic cures of salted meats and holy water, but we never saw the hand of God in our lives. When the Revival Fellowship prayed, God answered our prayers and our baby was healed. After seeing this miracle all of my family have been baptised and filled with the Holy Spirit. Now we are rejoicing in this new life and we are very grateful to God for everything that he has done. We pray that this work will continue to grow and many people will hear this message.



Liberian saints building the new hall

Liberia

Pastor Ron Carslake from our Cape Town assembly tells us that the Liberian saints are getting on with the job, on a variety of fronts.

Firstly, their rather makeshift hall had become dilapidated and work is now well under way towards construction of a proper hall. As of the end of March, they had completed the brickwork up to the top of the lintels and were working on extending the roof, thanks to some donations from the Australian assemblies. (Photos above and below.)

The Fellowship has contributed towards self-sufficiency by way of growing local cash crops. They are cultivating about a hectare each of cassava and sweet potatoes. Both crops have generated a profit, which has been put towards materials they still need for the hall. We admire their hard work and commitment.

On a final note the Revival continues, and along with it, the need for more Bibles. One of the welcome donations recently were new Bibles; as you



The walls completed up to the roof



The Liberian brethren proudly holding their new Bibles

can see on the happy Liberian faces above. "The whole assembly have asked me to pass on their greetings and sincere thanks to all the brethren," says Pastor Ron.



The saints weeding the cassava plants



Mutenderi assembly as they were in August last year



The new Mutenderi hall under construction



Onlookers at a baptism at Mutenderi



Rwanda

There are now four assemblies in Rwanda.

Building a permanent hall is often a government requirement in African countries to demonstrate the bona fides of a church. Pastor Ron reports on our recent experience in Rwanda by way of an example:

“Work has begun on the Mutenderi hall and brickwork was completed in January. They needed our help to buy sand and cement to plaster the walls, as well as the balance of the roofing materials to complete the project. That is now underway and will be finished in April.

In the first photo to the left you can see the Mutenderi assembly folk as they were in August, in front of the temporary structure. Baptisms have continued and there are now over 100 in fellowship (NB the assembly only began just under a year ago in May 2010). The authorities require us to complete a hall, and when we were there, gave us one month to erect something more suitable. The month has long passed and the new hall is still unfinished, but they have been reasonable in pursuing the matter because they could see that the folk were making an effort to comply.

In Kigali, Pastor Eron is still struggling to complete the process of registering the Fellowship across the entire country. The primary obstacle, again, is the insistence that we construct a permanent building on our land in Kigali. We are hoping that by completing this smaller project in Mutenderi, the authorities will allow us some leeway. Even so, we will soon need to make a start there. It is helpful to remember needs like this (and we have others in Burundi, Liberia and Congo where there are also projects in the works at the moment) when we are fundraising for the Mission Fund.”

DR Congo

Pastor Ron Carslake recently visited Lubumbashi in the D.R.C. for five days. He tells us that our leader Emile is doing a good job looking after the group of 15 saints. Four people were baptised while he was there.

“The assembly has moved out of the house where they were meeting and has constructed a small, temporary structure on a piece of hired land. As a result they recently came to the attention of the local authorities, who are cracking down on

Some of the DR Congo saints after a mid-week meeting

any unregistered church groups. No trace can be found of a previous attempt to register the assembly. We have now launched another application to register our constitution with both the local and national authorities, although the final outcome isn't expected for at least 18 months. In the meantime they have given us permission to carry on in the area where we are.

Emile shared a testimony concerning his eldest daughter, Jety, who is wearing a green top in the accompanying photo. Just before he came to the Kenya rally last year she started taking epileptic fits. They prayed for her at that time but she didn't improve and the fits kept happening. After he came back, he and Dorcus (his wife) kept praying and seeking the Lord, and now the fits have ceased. Praise the Lord.

The DRC meeting "hall" was paid for with funds from Australia. Further funds have just been provided to erect some low walls to keep ground water out and install some sort of floor. It's quite muddy!

Our little group here is very enthusiastic and determined, and this appears a good base from which an assembly will grow."

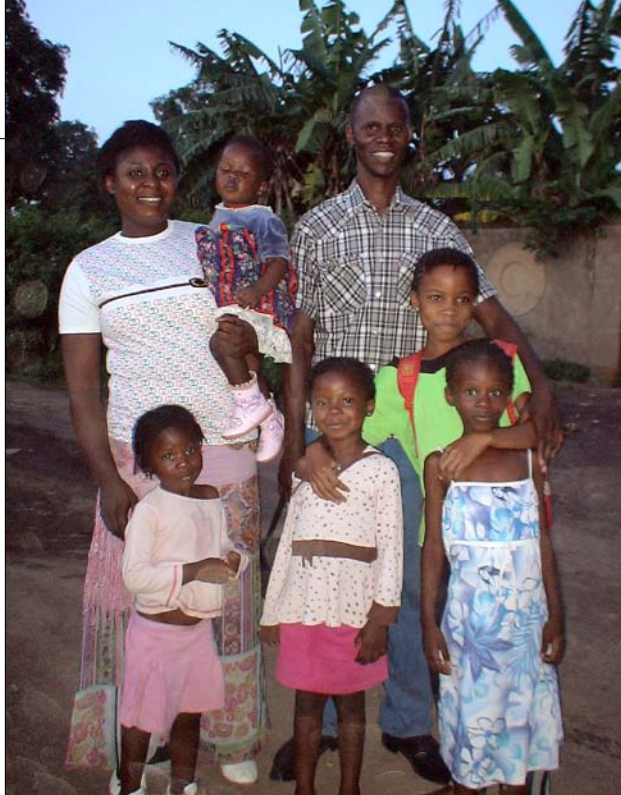
Malawi

Pastor Ron has also visited folk in another African country, Malawi, following their enquiries to us last year. During the first visit in October 52 people were baptised and Spirit filled, with a further 19 added in the course of a follow up visit from Pastor Eddie of Zambia just before Christmas, and another 15 in January when Pastor Ron was there again. The new saints themselves have begun to preach the gospel message and have baptised some 40 people as well. We wait to see what the Lord might do with this fledgling group.

Zimbabwe

After Malawi, Pastor Ron flew to Harare to spend a week with Terence and Emma and the saints. He reports that they are well, and that the assembly now numbers approximately 100. "The economic situation in the country has stabilised somewhat since my last visit in 2009, and many of the saints now have jobs", he says.

"There are regular baptisms and the work there is well founded, with many good saints. We pray that they carry on the fight with vigour."



Emile and Dorcus and their five children



Recent Sunday meeting in Zimbabwe





Baptisms (from left to right) in our newer centre in Mutaho in Burundi, in Cameroon (assisted by Alain), and in Ghana (with help from Pastor Ron and Jan Pieter)

Other Countries

Pastor Ron and Jan Pieter from Holland visited Ghana in November to follow up some contacts in Kumasi, Ghana's second largest city. In six days they had three meetings and eight people were baptised. Six others who had already been baptised on a previous visit by Dutch saints received the Holy Spirit. They also spent a couple of days in Accra, the capital, where another two were baptised.

In other developments, Pastor Ron and brother Alain Artus from France visited Cameroon in March to follow up contacts in Douala, Bafang and Yaounde. A total of seven people were baptised.

And in April, Pastor Sammy from Kenya visited the Ugandan capital of Kampala to follow up some folk there who have been baptised and Spirit-filled.

Slowly but surely revival is spreading across the African continent.

Asia

Thailand

Pastor Colin Tan reports:

"I recently visited a group in Southern Thailand. The area is called Lan Saka. The provincial centre is called Nakorn Sithammarat. We baptised a group of a dozen in Aug 2009 and were unable to visit them until last year. (See photos to right.) They are doing well even though they know very little about Jesus and the Bible.

The leader there is brother Somsan. He got to know us when his brother, who is in prison for murder, was witnessed to. His daughter at that time was dying. He came to know the Lord when the saints in the prison prayed for her healing. Through that miracle he wrote to Somsan to meet us on our next visit.

After Somsan's baptism his wife was quite astounded at his turn around. He used to be a "party

boy" at the karaoke lounges and showed little care for the family. On our first visit his immediate family and a cousin's family were baptised and all received the Holy Spirit and spoke in tongues. Their lives have turned around since then. Most of these communities have very little outside contact and hence have difficulty understanding the concepts we are familiar with. Only the experience of the Holy Spirit brings them into awe and understanding of the Lord's Word. It's quite exciting to see the awakening in them.

Sister Totoo and brother Noon continued to visit the saints in the Buayai prison after we re-



Thailand saints



Baptism in Thailand

turned to Bangkok. They are doing well and holding meetings. The leader is brother Seangpet. We have put together a “survival pack” for these groups, including testimonies in Thai and Laotian and a VCD of “The Life of Jesus” from the book of Luke. This helps the saints to visualize the context when they read the Bible. The saints in these groups are also given a booklet with translated notes I’ve written over the years covering a wide range of topics.

Our four groups in Thailand are spread over 1200 km.

We also have a version of the VCD in Tamil for the group in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, many of whom are ex-drug addict Tamils.

Presently we are working on the Hindi (for India and Nepal) and a Mandarin version.”

Pastor Colin also helps our assemblies in the Philippines, Malaysia, Indonesia, Hong Kong, Nepal and India and a number of folk scattered around China. The Lord keeps him pretty busy.

Kuala Lumpur Outreach Meeting

Pastor Sek Wah and his wife Judy from Singapore assembly went up to Kuala Lumpur early November, where we have a fledgling group and reported that it is doing well.

He sent us this snap (top right) and commented, “One of the locals who gave his testimony was Chandran. He received the Holy Spirit along with two others during the prayer session. A number of items were translated in Tamil for the benefit the local saints. We left it to brother Phil to baptise the saints who received the Spirit. In all, three folk received the Holy Spirit that day along with two others during the prayer session.”

Ireland outreach

Pastor Garry Hall led a small band to help evangelise in Dublin mid last year. He reports as follows:

“I have just returned home from a happy and successful time at the Irish outreach. We had a small crew but it seemed to be just the right number. Support came from Revival Fellowships in Perth, Adelaide, Lismore, Goulburn, London, Liverpool and Medway.

The outreach started with a bang with three baptisms on the first day. They had all received the Holy Spirit.

Ireland is a doorknocker’s paradise especially for ex-Catholics like me.

We were able to make many good contacts for follow up. The Irish people are very open and



The saints in Kuala Lumpur

friendly and believe in the Bible. They were happy to look at various scriptures at the door—which is a rather rare event in Australia. There is also a fairly large immigrant population who also were generally open to consider what we had to say.

There is great potential for revival in Ireland and the future is very exciting for this committed group of saints. Hopefully similar outreaches can be undertaken in the future. The hospitality, love and care of the Irish brethren was a wonderful blessing and we all made lifelong friends—which of course we’ll carry on through into eternity. They are a very keen bunch of saints.”



A presentation about to get underway in Ireland



One of the baptisms



Sunday meeting at the "Hotel de France"



Happy members of the Goiania fellowship



Sister Dani after her baptism



Gympie meeting in progress

French outreach

Brother Alain Artus tells us the outreach at Angers last June went well with 15 visitors to help. Around 15–20 new people came to meetings over the weekend.

He tells us:

"The two weeks were very busy. We had saints come from Ireland, Switzerland, Australia and Holland and even Pastor Ron and Helen from South Africa. We had a wonderful time together and we all enjoyed doing the work of the Lord: letterboxing, outreaching in the street. Altogether we got out 4,000 leaflets.

For the event, we rented a room in a well known hotel near the railway station.

We held a presentation on "Miracles" on Saturday evening conducted by Pastor Ron and Edouard: 11 newcomers attended. Afterwards we went to our hall and had two baptisms.

On Sunday, we had our communion meeting at the hotel with six newcomers. In the evening one man was baptised.

We thank everyone who came; it was very uplifting for us. We hope to book the same place again sometime."

Goiania, Brazil

There is also a small outreach meeting in the modern city of Goiania, where a sister saved in the U.K., Regina, has seen a handful of friends and family come to the Lord. A brother from the Fortaleza fellowship recently went down to conduct the baptism of another convert, as you can see in the photo left. We pray for their continued success.

Gympie, Queensland outreach

Pastor Bill Allen reports for us on the new centre begun recently at Gympie.

"The revival in Gympie commenced last year, through family and friends of one of the brothers on the Sunshine Coast. At our first meeting, we had five new people, including two who have since been baptised and filled with the Holy Spirit. Several of the brethren drive up to Gympie, which is an hour's drive from the Coast, to participate in street witnessing and, more recently, gospel singing in the Central Business area soundshell.

We hold fortnightly Sunday meetings at the Gympie Civic Centre, with house-meetings on the alternate weeks. There are currently up to nine local folk attending regularly, as well as a reasonable trickle of new folk having a look on Sundays."



The fledgling Geelong fellowship at the end of February



The attendants at the Leadership Camp taking it all in



Fellowship over breakfast



Queensland Pastors' Meeting just prior to the Camp Morning tea (right)

Geelong, Victoria

Following a general call from the Council last year, three young Adelaide families led by Scott Nobel packed up and moved to Geelong at the end of January and are now conducting regular meetings. In short order their enthusiasm has resulted in five baptisms. In addition, several other Spirit-filled folk have joined them. If you have any contacts for the area please feel free to pass them on.

Please pray for God's blessing on them all and ongoing revival.

Australian Leadership Camp

11th–13th March, 2011

About 250 folk joined in the Leadership Camp at Panorama Camp, Mount Tambourine, Gold Coast, Queensland between 11th–13th March 2011.

The point was made early that the camp wasn't just for "leader types" but was designed so that all may be strengthened in their appreciation of our unique Fellowship, and how they might further serve the Lord. It was great fellowship with two days jam-packed with information and guidance for those wanting to be more involved in whatever capacity. The programme included a variety of Bible studies, slideshows and workshops. We pray we can look back at some point in the future and point to this camp as the beginning of many saints' deeper involvement, or even ministry, in the Church. Jesus told us we are here to serve.



Visiting pastors from Fiji



Even visitors from Ireland!



U.K. Halls

In other good news, both the London assemblies (there are two: one on the north of town and one on the west) have moved into new premises. After some hard work getting everything ready they had a great time inaugurating both venues at almost the same time.

Switzerland

On the topic of new halls, the Swiss assembly opened in premises in the centre of town last June after many years of operating from their leader brother Stephan and his wife Zsuzsa's house. Stephan explained that the Swiss are uncomfortable about going to church in a house, so this move should help dramatically. Pastor Pieter Visser from Holland travelled to Bern to officiate at the opening.

"We had a beautiful weekend at the hall opening together with all the brothers and sisters" says Stephan. We wish them well with preaching the Good News and revival.



Switzerland saints in their new hall above, and outside below



Outside of the West London hall



The sign of the North London hall faces directly onto a busy high street



The first Saturday night event in North London's new hall



Second-half Council Meetings

October 2010—Melbourne

Missions

The first part of Council meetings reviewed revival activity throughout our Fellowship around the world. Exciting reports continue to come in from Africa, PNG, Indonesia, Asia, Fiji, Vanuatu, South America and Europe, as you can see above.

PNG and Brazil are probably still the standout examples. But all areas continue to expand. Revival seems to have spilled across the PNG border into Indonesian Papua with scores baptised and Spirit-filled. As a pastor familiar with the area said, “this could be another PNG in the making”.

On a practical note, there are a number of new needs in our mission areas and these are being addressed as separate appeals.

We are grateful for the generous financial support of many assemblies. The pastors and saints in those regions thank you for your ongoing help.

Visitors to Mission Areas

As the work expands overseas, there are occasional problems associated with Australian visitors to overseas assemblies. We decided we need to put out a short “Overseas Visitors’ Etiquette” leaflet for Western saints touring our mission areas in particular. Look out for a copy on your assembly notice board or ask your pastor for one.

Europe/Liaison Pastor

It was decided to appoint Pastor Paul Nobel of Adelaide to take over the role of Australian Liaison Pastor for matters to do with Europe (in place of Pastor John Kuhlmann).

Convention 2011

The next 2011 International Convention (Sat June 11th–Mon June 13th) will be held in Adelaide, at the Adelaide Convention Centre. The centre is convenient, next door to the Adelaide railway station, and within easy walking distance of many eateries and accommodation. Plenty of evangelism is planned. Adelaide traditionally have more offers to billet than visitors to take up beds—so accommodation is covered. There’s no excuse. Grab yourself a cheap ticket and head over.

Video Talks

Small assemblies appreciate extra ministry and there are quite a few assemblies providing au-



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dio talks via the net, but Adelaide and Perth assemblies also produce video talks. Adelaide’s are available from Pastor Graeme Hazledine as DVDs (ghazledine@internode.on.net). Perth’s are available as video downloads from their talks’ website www.talks.revivalfellowship.org. There are some European camp and Rally talks available through the Dutch website as well (contact piet.visser@revivalfellowship.nl).

Strengthening our Future

We continue to enjoy amazing blessings from the Lord throughout our Fellowship. In concluding our report from the Council Meetings, the Council also discussed the lessons of the last 15 years since our inception.

And in summary, there is no doubt the biggest warning is: avoid Pentecostal influences.

On the positive side, the most important lesson is: focus on evangelism and revival.

We all want to strengthen our Fellowship’s future, and help it to continue to steadily prosper and grow. Let’s all work hard to help the work of the Lord.

The Chairman, Pastor John Kuhlmann, and his wife, Janet, outside their Adelaide home





Wintercamp Wasserkuppe 2010

Christmas Camps

Europe

Pastor Pieter Visser of Holland reports “We had a great camp; driving over there was a bit difficult, lots of snow on the roads and very slippery indeed. The last bit, getting up the mountain to the camp-site, needed a lot of traction in the thick snow.

“The kids had a great time, some of the oldies as well.”

He has titled the above photo “God’s Frozen People”!

Christmas Camp in Europe: God’s “Frozen” People!

U.K.

Report from Pastor Lee Finney of Manchester:

“Hello everyone! We too had a fantastic Camp here in the UK with 185 saints from the UK, Ireland, Hungary, Switzerland, Holland and Perth—with one lady baptised from Barbados! Our theme was from 2 Peter 1 “We have a More Sure Word of Prophecy”. We also collected £885 for the Mission Fund on the day, with more coming in later.”



Western Australia

The Western Australian saints went down to Albany again for their camp and had a great time and great fellowship. The theme of “Freely you have received, freely give” provided plenty of scope for speakers to bring out some wonderful, uplifting thoughts from the Bible.

Apart from a great array of items, there was also a special visit by Buzz Lightyear for the kids during the New Year’s Eve concert. Another evening of fun was spent wheeling and dealing to raise money for the Mission Fund at the “P.N.G. Auction Night”. The 2011 Christmas Camp will be held again at Albany and there’s plenty of room for visitors.

Western Australia’s New Camp

While on the topics of camps, Perth assembly has bought 16 Ha of land near the beachside town of Busselton to build a new camp about two and a half hours south of Perth. They plan to eventually replace their existing inland camp at Beverley. Development plans go before the Council shortly. The first official camp is not expected at the new site until around Christmas 2012.



Albany Camp



New Year’s Eve fun



Items aplenty

And he said unto them, *Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned. And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.*

Mark 16:15–18



A picnic at the new W.A. campsite—it’s looking pretty relaxing already

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Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. ACTS 2:38



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