

*Serving the Lord
in Australia since 1997*

Helping Aussies plant churches

Evangelizing the lost

Edifying the saints

On furlough in 2018 (July – December)



The HALL family

Recently served at
Living Hope Baptist Church
in Taree, New South Wales
(www.livinghope.org.au)

Our 6-minute Vimeo
report can be viewed at:
<https://vimeo.com/285180227>

“Testifying... repentance toward God, and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ.” Acts 20:21

Dear Praying Friends,

December 27, 2018

Since our last report, we have continued to enjoy the Lord’s blessings in our furlough travels and meetings. We have seen souls saved and saints encouraged, have been blessed with safety and other aspects of the Lord’s provision, and have experienced His comforting grace in difficulties.

We have based out of Heritage Baptist Church in Woodbridge, VA (just south of DC). Since early July, we have made one trip each to Houston, Miami, and Quebec; 2 trips to Kansas City; and 3 trips to Chicago. These travels have allowed us to visit beloved family members, and to say “Thank you” to more than 50 supporting churches.

During our travels, we have handed out hundreds of Gospel tracts from dozens of churches. We have seen salvations in some of the services we have attended, and we have seen saints respond at the altar to challenges and encouragement to obey or increase their obedience to the Great Commission. We presented in several new churches where the pastor is a son of one of our ministry friends. We also presented in the church where I was saved and grew up in the Lord!

The Lord has provided for us financially through the generosity and hospitality of His people in His churches (See Luke 6:38 and 3 John 5-8). God has granted good health and great safety along the way. During the recent ice storm in the Carolinas, we saw no less than 50 cars and trucks that had slid off the road or crashed; but we were able to drive through safely only a few hours later.

Marie was able to stand at the graveside of her parents; and I was able to stand beside the gravesides of my parents and of my brother, Bobby. We are thankful to the Lord that these dear loved ones had testimonies of trusting in the death, burial, and resurrection of the Lord Jesus (1 Cor. 15:3-4). Please pray for the salvation of our dear family members who are yet unbelievers, that they would come to saving faith in the Lord Jesus.

Rachel had a seizure early this month – her first in more than 3 years! It was difficult for us to be nearly 1,500 miles away when getting a phone call from a distressed family member asking for advice during her seizure. But we are very thankful that the Lord sovereignly protected her from serious injury. Rachel has some soreness and bruising, but has accepted this setback with the grace we have come to appreciate.



On January 8, we fly back to Australia. We look forward to a reunion with Pastor Syd Valeran and the congregation at Living Hope Baptist Church in Taree, NSW. As soon as the Lord allows, we plan to assist an Aussie in the planting of a new church, or in preserving one of the many churches that are in need of a pastor. With Aussie Christians in mind, please pray as the Lord instructed in Matthew 9:38, “*Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest.*”



(& Sara, who surprised me
by a Christmas visit to the
US!)

**Thank you for your prayers and financial support.
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May the Lord bless as you serve in His Great

We trust that you had a
Merry Christmas

and wish for you a
Happy New Year!