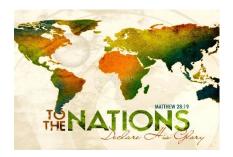
## NorthWest Church of Christ International Missions Newsletter

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Greetings! Welcome to the third edition of our NWCC international missionary outreach newsletter. The purpose of our newsletter is to provide you with updates from around the world regarding our NWCC missionary outreach efforts. This edition will highlight our mission in New Zealand. We will focus on one mission each newsletter.

"Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples!" 1 Chronicles 16:24.

Please allow us to introduce our missionaries in New Zealand, Chris and Melinda Miller. Chris teaches and preaches in the city of Tauranga on New Zealand's North Island. He also works with the South Pacific Bible College and has recently been appointed an elder in his home congregation. Northwest has been supporting them since 2014. Beginning this summer, the North MacArthur church in Oklahoma City will be accepting the role of overseeing church for the Millers.

## **Update from New Zealand and The Miller Family:**

- Praise to God that Melinda has completed all radiation and is recovering well. They are very thankful for all the
  prayers for her recovery.
- The Millers continue to teach a small group bible study and are working through Acts.
- Their congregation has been blessed with two babies in the last 6 months. They make it a practice to gather around the families and pray for the parents and their role in raising their children with God.
- Chris continues to study with Deryk and Caryl. They are growing in the Lord and are excited to see their progress. Deryk told Chris "I just wished I could have become a Christian when I was young, I wasted so many years. I just did not know how good this was and is to be in Christ". Anyone who wants to send encouragement can do so by emailing them at carylwatts@gmail.com.
- In February they visited the church in Napier to encourage them. Melinda every year organizes a morning for the female students to encourage them and pray for them. Each of the older women in the congregation are asked to pray for one of the students. Rachael was Melinda's and is from Papua New Guinea. Her husband and she have sacrificed to be way from their 2 children for 2 years to study at the Bible College so they can have a better future.
- They asked for continued prayers as they continue their missionary work. Chris continues to teach by Zoom. He currently teaches a brother and preacher in Chile. As you can imagine everyone has been impacted in some way by COVID.
- They will be losing some of their support as of June. Please pray that they are able to regain these funds from other sources. God has always come through for them and gives them what is needed to continue their important work.
- They ask for continued prayers for their ministries and that they are not over burdened with eldership, mentoring, ministry duties and concerns from the church locally and their sister churches in the South Pacific.
- They continue to be grateful for all our love, support, grace and prayers for their ministries.



The congregation praying over the babies and their family.



Melinda praying with Rachel



The small Bible Study Group

## **Missionaries/Locations:**



Missionaries	Location
Orlando & Nora Carrillo Cordova	Coatzintia, Vera Cruz, Mexico
Mateo & Martina Aguilar	Ocosingo, Chiapas, Mexico
Vasquez	
Claudia Hernandez Salas	Nueva Rosita, Mexico
Jacob & Justina Achinefu	Nigeria
Cliff & Nkiru Jarrell	Port Harcourt, Nigeria
Chris & Melinda Miller	Tauranga, New Zealand
Jon & Gina Murrell and Family	Cebu City, Philippines

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