



# The Williams' Family New Zealand

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Dear Brothers & Sisters in Christ,

**"...but to this man will I look, even to him that is poor and of a contrite spirit, and trembleth at my word.**

**Psalm 116:15**

*Dear Pastor Williams and the team at NZC&B,  
Thank you for taking time to ensure that people spend eternity in Heaven. It is because of your ministry that I am saved. Thank you for taking time to send a letter to Pastor Bankston (our Pastor) telling him that I wasn't saved. When I was 3 or 4 years old, I asked Jesus into my heart. When I got older, I began to doubt my salvation. One day I read 2 Corinthians 13:5, which told me very plainly that I wasn't saved. A few Sundays after Pastor Bankston received the letter from you about me (16 March 2008), I talked to Pastor Bankston about salvation. At the end of the talk, I knelt down and received Jesus as my personal Lord and Saviour. On 30 March I followed the Lord in Believer's Baptism.  
May God Bless your Ministry!  
In Christ  
Samantha Buhler*

One the ministries here in New Zealand that seems to consistently generate both contacts and results is our Bible correspondence school – some of you know it overseas as our **Line Upon Line** book. So far in 2011 we have picked up almost 200 new students. Just this week I signed another diploma for a lady who finished the entire program, taking almost seven years to do so. A couple living together who have also been studying the Bible together for the past year wrote us this week to tell us that they had come under conviction and just gotten married! A lady in Auckland just sent us a check and asked us to send her a box of tracts every month for the next year so she could letterbox in her neighborhood. This letter came from a young girl up north who was recently saved. Bro. Dunlap in Mozambique just finished translating the entire course into Portugese for us and Bro. Bilucaglia just finished another book of the Bible into Chinese (see the free downloads at [www.veritycharity.com](http://www.veritycharity.com)) It is a blessing to see that the Word still makes people tremble, come to Christ, and changes their lives!

We are just starting our second round of letterboxing Timaru with a tract advertising the correspondence school – **please pray** that this will stir up yet another round of contacts as we look to start a church in this needy city next year.

## The Rest of the News

- 1) Thank you for praying for our recent travels. My brother-in-law's funeral in Texas was a great opportunity to get the gospel out to many who have never heard. Crossing the Pacific twice in 6 days and warm, tension-packed Texas morning led to me almost passing out while preaching the funeral, but the Lord blessed his word nonetheless. Thank you for the cards and gifts. **your continued prayers** for Debby and her family since both her mom and Raymond passed on to heaven in September are most appreciated.

- 2) Our teen missions trip to Australia in early October went well. We had between 8 & 15 children out to the Holiday Bible Club each morning with four children making professions of faith in the Lord Jesus Christ!!! **Please continue to pray** that the Illawara Community Baptist Church can incorporate these new converts into their ministry as well as reaching into their families.
- 3) In November we will be putting our house up for sale with plans to move on down south to Timaru as soon as someone buys it. Plans are coming together for this shift and what will Lord willing be the start of a new work. **Please pray** for the Lord's will and timing in this matter.
- 4) Reefton Baptist Church has had its fair share of trials the past few months. The two prime families that we left to lead that work have both seen the Devil work them over. Bro. Chris and his wife Helen were transferred out of town for two years by the mining company he worked for. Bro. Ian Brooks has had cancer for several years and it all flared up in a major way the past few months; this brother will more than likely be seeing Jesus soon. As Ian was the RBC lay-pastor, this has left the Reefton work in a position where no one is either able or willing to take over or carry on. In October we stepped back in to help the folk there and will be going down two Sundays a month (7 hour round trip). **Please pray** for the Brooks family and for the long-term future of the Reefton ministry.
- 5) November and December are prime outreach months here in Blenheim. We have no less than six major festivals or events in the next seven weeks that we hope to have a gospel witness at. **Please pray** as the word goes out that God will graciously soften some hearts and allow his word to bear fruit!

The last four months have been some of the busiest in years – please accept our apologies if we have been slow or seemingly negligent in answering some of your emails & letters. Please know that we value your prayers, thoughts, support and fellowship in the gospel immensely – we simply could not do it without your help in holding up the ministry here. We love and appreciate you all – God bless!

Only Because of His Grace,

*Jeff, Debby, Caleb,  
Luke, Grace &*

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