

Missions Update

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Along with millions of Christians around the world we celebrated the birth of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Unlike North America and the rest of the Northern Hemisphere here in New Zealand we celebrate Christmas in the summer time. It is strange to see winter time seasonal holiday decorations and yet it is so warm and sunny outside. Certainly, during the Christmas season we miss our family and friends who we have enjoyed our past Christmas seasons with. We hope that your Christmas season and New Year's celebrations have ushered in a brand new year of Faith In Motion which is our theme for the year.

With our community church we participated in preparing and distributing Christmas food baskets for several families and individuals in our community. So often at this time of year families are struggling to make ends meet. It was our great privilege to serve our community with packages of good nutritious food (and a few treats as well). We know that we were able to be a blessing to them, but they also blessed us as well with the chance to see their smiles and gratitude.

We ended the year attending the annual general conference held two hours north of us in Whangārei with several other Apostolic churches with the UPC New Zealand. Sis. Erwin had the honor of sharing a short and encouraging message with the ladies and we joined with the service welcoming in the new year with worship, prayer and praise. We are so thankful for the fellowship.

Here are some photos of our Christmas Basket Blessings, and our Christmas services along with our participation in the end of year conference services.



⇐ Christmas Baskets

Christmas Service celebration ↓



⇐ Sis. Erwin ministering at the ladies meeting