

CCM NEWSLETTER JUNE 2014

THANK YOU

As many of you know, I was diagnosed with uterine cancer in July last year. Surgery, chemotherapy, radiation and more chemo took me through to the middle of February. God has been so close to me, and I have been so encouraged by the visits, calls, cards and messages over these months - they have been my constant source of encouragement. When something like this happens, it is as if your life goes "on hold". Well, I refuse to settle for less than LIFE because He has promised that, and is faithful! My hair is growing back and in the meantime I am thankful for wigs! Please continue to pray for me - more scans scheduled late August. Carolyn.



Already this year has seen us ministering in three countries. Sue flew into Melbourne in January and was on hand to escort Carolyn to some of her final treatments. February was a time of sharing in conferences - in Melbourne and Brisbane - and in churches in Victoria and New South Wales.

On March 1, we both joined four others bound for Manipur, India. This was our return, having been there in 2012. God met us in every area. Physically 4 of the team came down with a virus that affected breathing, but they were able with God's help to push on. Spiritually so, many women were ministered to. A large women's conference involved a large group of pastors' wives, many of whom had never been ministered to on a personal level. Through worship, word and prophetic prayer, many lives were touched as God's Spirit moved across the congregation. We were also able to share in a two day children's camp - wonderful to see these hungry children enter in.



In the capital city of **Imphal** we ministered to the Women's Ministry leaders in the Baptist churches there. 29 tribes inhabit the city and surrounds and it was wonderful to have at least 14 tribes represented. Again there was a lot of personal ministry and a sense of The Lord bringing these leaders together - unity is a huge need and we saw these 14 very different women start to flow and grow in their desire to become "One". Our thanks to Ravi Stocks from Melbourne who faithfully takes small teams into strategic areas - we have been privileged to go to Manipur with Ravi and the amazing Grace who so ably interest for us and has an anointed ministry of her own. CCM funded this trip and we want to thank all who have donated and prayed for our ministry.

AFTER returning to Australia we flew to Darwin in the Northern Territory to minister with a small group of indigenous teens from Halls Creek. This was part of CityLife Church's missions outreach. This was the first time the church in Halls Creek,, Western Australia had taken a group of teens away in this manner. We ministered to them on Identity - how we see ourselves, how we see each other but most importantly how God sees us. We felt barriers break down and are praying about a possible return visit next year, the power of the return is very strong in this culture.

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See map below. Halls Creek is close to The Kimberley region. Darwin is way up at the top end of Australia, and Carolyn's home city Melbourne is in the South, on the mainland above Tasmania.



Back in Melbourne we rested then headed up to Sydney for a weekend of ministry there - youth, kids, adults. Great presence of The Lord. Back home for the conference of the year - World Impact at CityLife Church. The church's missionary partners are flown in for an amazing week of fellowship, sharing stories of God's power and goodness. The nations of Ethiopia, Indonesia, India, China, Cambodia, Myanmar, Czech Republic, Russia, Malawi, Pakistan, USA and Australia are represented.



Sharing at World Impact Conference, CityLife Church, Melbourne, Australia.

Sue flew back to Seattle for family time and preparation for summer ministry and Carolyn rested up and put together a program for one of the summer Vacation Bible Schools. In between that she worked on reproducing the a Directors' Manual for Southern Cross Kids' Camps.

June is here and we have started summer ministries. Will report on these at the end of summer.

Again we thank you for your prayers, encouragement and financial gifts which enable us to serve wherever God opens doors.

Sue Carpenter and Carolyn Boyd