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G'DAY! In July we held the second of our annual Heart Conference, this year focusing on the Worship of God and emphasizing congregational singing. The attendance and fellowship with other churches was a great encouragement to us. Our guest preacher was Pastor Ernie Veszely, from Melbourne. After the

conference we drove down to Northern New South Wales with Bro. Ernie and his wife Liz and they showed me where they were saved and baptized. When they were saved (in the early 80's) they were living an alternate lifestyle way out in the bush. A guy who had sold drugs in the area got saved and then started witnessing to all his previous customers; the first Bible Study Ernie and Liz went to was taught by my Dad. My Dad stood on one side of the river and sang at their baptism while the hippies and lost watched from the other side. My Dad went to be with the Lord last November; I used to ride with Dad on those country bush roads to go minister out back; this trip gave me time to remember and appreciate my Dad's ministry out here in Australia back in the 70's and 80's.



*Pastor Ernie Veszely and his wife Liz, at the bush river where they were baptized in 1981.*

Our son-in-law Nate has applied for a visa so he can stay in Australia. Please be in prayer for Nate and Jessica. We had Nate's ordination during our Heart Conference. With Jessica's condition and the new baby Nate often has to stay nearby for their safety. We appreciate those that have given financially to Nate and Jessica, please pray for them as they seek provision so they can continue in the ministry here.

In June my trip to the Solomon Islands provided an opportunity for future ministry. When our dear friend Albert Richter was in Bible College in South Africa he had a friend Shaun that is now a pastor in Ireland. Bro. Shaun has a Melanesian lady in his church that heard about us from Shaun who heard about us from Bro. Albert; so she got in touch asking us if we could go visit her village on Malaita to share the gospel and minister there. Her village was just a ten minute walk from Auki, where we hold our Bible College classes. Malaita remains a political, religious and militant hotbed in many ways. Somehow I have to make sure I remain separated from ecumenical ties and not stir up militants and/or religious zealots who use their "Christianity" for their political agendas at the same time. There's been times on the back of a truck where I answer a question and the old men shake their heads in approval, but then I'm told later on that the younger guys speaking in "language" had other thoughts regarding my safety. On this occasion, although entering the village by invitation of religious men, I also had the opportunity to talk with a village chief. The chief was not a religious man, but he was interested in doing something for his village. They gave me permission to come and hold a youth rally, which I thought would be good to start with. As all of that was confirmed and I was about to leave, the chief then asked "What about our adults, can you do anything for our adult men and women, and for the whole family?" **Wow, what an open door!** Please pray for us as we try to get things organized; in November I plan to go back to the village of Kokomu and have a week of youth rallies and then a week of presenting a marriage and family seminar also. We will, of course, use the opportunity to share the Gospel.

In May our grandson Joel was born. With our daughter Jessica's current struggle with what has been diagnosed as FND (Functional Neurological Disorder), we were concerned for hers and the baby's wellbeing during the pregnancy and delivery, but all went well. Little Joel already sounds like he's going to be a singer; he'll make four generations of a ministry of music here in Australia. We praise God for the joy of new life.

Our apologies for the lateness of this letter. We appreciate your faithfulness to us in both prayer and financial support. By the way, offerings were given after our last prayer letter and we were able to buy a vehicle adequate for the ministries that we have. Our thanks to those who gave, it was a much-needed purchase we were able to make.

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Tim & Bonnie Meyer

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