



# THE *Hyland* FAMILY



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Dear Brethren

Praise the Lord for His gracious guidance in 2025 and for the fresh start that is before us in 2026! In Philippians 3:13-14, Paul gives us the practical formula for moving into a new year with a fresh start. He tells us to Forget the Past, Focus on the Present, and Force the Future. Surely this is what is needed for the Hyland Family in 2026. We have a lot to forget about that happened in 2025! After many years in the ministry, I've discovered that it is good to be able to forget the pain and disappointments that inevitably come. It is imperative that we put those things in the past that will cause us to be distracted from what God has for us in the present. We certainly have tasks that need our focus and we are excited about "pressing" into what God has for us here in Canberra.



The end of 2025 saw the group here focusing on the process of getting the legal structure for the church up and running. It seems that we are close to getting all the paperwork finished and ready to be submitted to form the church structurally and legally. This is a long and tedious process as the law requires that much is put in place in order to be established and constituted. I praise the Lord that God has given several of the men in our church and close pastor friends the business acumen and wisdom to walk us through these steps. We do covet your prayers as we get things finalized in the next few weeks.

The people are eager to be established so we can begin more ministries together. There are some great opportunities here and there are many open doors. We have had some visitors already from the community and trust that as we

begin more outreach, we will see more come and hear the Gospel.

I spent two weeks up in Katherine in December. Pastor Dave Cotton was away in Mauritius for a two-week mission trip, and I filled the pulpit for him. It was good to be with the brethren there again and to minister to those dear people. Pastor Dave has also asked me to be back there in May for the Church's Mission Conference. While I was away, two young men from Sydney churches filled our pulpit. They were a blessing to the folks here and we appreciate them laboring with us. I am very thankful for the support from these other churches.

The family are all well. We spent Christmas with family this year which was a blessing. LeAnn's mom and brother came over from Tennessee and stayed with us for three weeks, and we were glad to have that precious time with family. The girls are well and continue to work their jobs and help us faithfully in the church. LeAnn's health is still stable, and she hasn't had an Atrial Fibrillation episode since May. Praise the Lord!

As in every letter, we want to express our gratitude for your faithful financial support for our family. We covet your continued prayers for us as we "press toward" the future that God has for us. Paul also tells us in Philippians chapter 3 that Christ and His power are the only things worth winning and attaining. May we be focused only on that which is truly important. "...that I may apprehend that for which also I am apprehended of Christ Jesus." Philippians 3:12.

God bless you richly,,  
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*And he said unto them, Let us go into the next towns, that I may preach there also... Mark 1:38*

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