

# The Guenther's *Missionaries in* *New Zealand*

Nov – Dec 2023



UPDATE VIDEO:  
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It's graduation day! Our first group of graduates from our discipleship program have finished the course! It was a great day of celebration and thanksgiving. We paired our graduation service with our annual "Thankspiration" service. In this service we have lots of special singing from the congregation and testimonies of God's goodness in our lives. There is always a sweet spirit of worship during this service. We had a testimony from a dear lady who lost her husband the past year. She spoke of God's grace in her life since. A young couple shared the struggles they faced with a miscarriage, and the joyful announcement of a new baby. **Tears, laughter, and thankfulness filled the day!** And of course we had a big meal.

In October, we had the privilege of hosting **Ken and Cindy Chapman, missionaries in Australia**, in our home. These faithful missionaries have been in Australia for about 30 years, being sent out of Massillon Baptist Temple in Massillon, OH and going through the World Baptist Fellowship Mission Agency in Arlington, TX. Our church here in NZ have been prayerfully and financially supporting the Chapmans as one of our missionaries. It may sound surprising, but we very rarely get a visiting missionary to our church here in NZ! This was the second time we had a missionary visit who is going to another country, and the first missionary that wasn't from NZ. It was a huge blessing for our people to meet the Chapmans face to face, whom they have faithfully supported for years. They are one of my personal heroes in the faith!



In December we are having our annual Christmas Programme. We are organizing a choir with the adults, and the children are doing a small play. Over the years, this has been a **well-attended service, with lots of visitors**. Please pray as we are preparing for this event.



On December 6<sup>th</sup>, Joy and I will celebrate **20 years of marriage**. She is the love of my life, my ministry partner, the mother of our children, and the greatest thing God has done for me. Thank you for your prayers and financial support!



*"Let them give glory unto the LORD, and declare his praise in the islands." Isaiah 42:12*

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