

Dear family and friends,

The past six months have been packed with opportunities to declare the glory of God among the nations.

Ethiopia

Dad introduces his twin sons to a crowd of over 45,000 sitting on the ground in Walaita eagerly waiting to hear from the Word of God. This is where Dad ministered during our childhood. It was a touch of heaven!

A.C. and Gary Levi, friends from the “great commonwealth of Georgia” traveled with us throughout Ethiopia as we all sought to encourage national church leaders and missionaries.

Soccer

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New Zealand

For much of April and May, Bill was “down-under” giving the challenge of world mission on campuses and churches. New Zealand is stunning in beauty and Kiwi hospitality is awesome! Yet sadly, NZ has the highest rates of teenage pregnancy and suicide in the world!

It was so great to see our son Ryan reaching out to the youth through outreaches of Capernwray. His brother, Kyle was able to visit and explore NZ with him, thanks to frequent flyer miles. As father, what a joy to witness the love of two brothers for each other!

Australia

I loved the candid spirit of the Aussies. Australia is still considered a pre-Christian nation and its cultural landscape reflects it. How wonderful to visit our SIM friends and others who are making a difference for eternity.

As they say “down-under”, we say to you “G'day mates”!