

NEW ZEALAND TEAM REPORT

AUGUST 2008

WORK TEAMS

WORK PROGRAM

North Island

July/Aug - **Huntly Baptist Church**

11 Aug to 5 September - **CBM** (Children's Bible Ministry) Camp, Raglan
Sept - **Jeff and Jane Pelz**, TSCF - renew roof, painting & interior maintenance

Sept - **Carey Park Christian Camp** - alterations
October - **Youthzone**, Northland YFC - painting/renovating youth centre

October - **Mercy Missions**, Auckland - mezzanine floor for food bank
October - **Papakura Wesleyan Methodist Church** - construction of new community centre

South Island

August - **Bridge Valley Adventure Centre**, Nelson - alterations

YWAM, Family Ministries at Crystal Springs, Matamata needed a new roof on one of their accommodation blocks, so the team made short work of that. The photo shows the old roof coming off. Other interior alterations were made too.

Most of the month of July has been spent at **Huntly Baptist Church** just a 40 minute drive north of the MMM Centre. Ernie and Michelle Pene and Bill and Pam Todd have had their mobile homes parked on site and the rest of the team have traveled up from Pirongia. They have been building a new covered entrance canopy, upgrading the toilets and extending the auditorium. This is to cater for a growing congregation in a small rural town.

Two team members spent a couple of days putting in office partitions for **WEC** at their missionary training college situated just north of Hamilton.

MMM Dinner at New Plymouth

Although a storm raged outside the people at the MMM Dinner enjoyed a great evening together at the Central Baptist Church on Saturday 19th July.



Wet weather during July enabled some of the team to go and do painting work on Howard and Ave Robinson's rental property in Hamilton for a few days.



Huntly Baptist Church, new verandah

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NEW MMM STAFF HOUSE



The new staff house is almost finished. Pictured above left is Fraser Barrett painting the garage door which was donated. MMM Associate and Board member Doug Carson spent many days digging the hole for the septic tank and the outflow and also the drains. The picture on the right shows Doug digging out the enormous hole for the septic tank drainage field. Just the drains and some of the plumbing work is left to be done now.

South Island

We spent June at **YWAM, Oxford**. YWAM stands for Youth With a Mission. They train and equip young people to go out and share their faith with others. Alan and I did a School of Frontier Missions here 13 years ago, so it seems like home territory for us. The group of students this time were doing an “around the world DTS”, having all bought tickets to take them around the world in a year. They will graduate on the top of the Mount of Olives. The students are all young and enthusiastic about their faith and what they are doing so it was a real buzz to stay there with them. Our girls enjoyed getting to know the students and hanging out with them.

The job there was to put in a new bathroom, move some “transportables”, and put a new verandah on one of the buildings. The bathroom is in one of the student houses that YWAM owns. The house can fit lots of students but it only has two bathrooms, so they have changed a walk in wardrobe into a bathroom. Two of the transportables needed to be moved to make way for the new dining room which they plan to build later in the year.

The job went well. It was great to have Clive Dennis turn up regularly and Peter Cloughley, who used to be in our church in Waimate, but has now moved near Rangiora. These guys put themselves to whatever needed to be done, digging, concreting, constructing bathroom furniture and moving buildings.

It has been good to have Rod Heape here at **Teapot Valley Christian Camp** as we had to go south and ‘say farewell’ to Alan’s mum who had passed away. It was good to have Brian and Celia Scholl and Rod here holding the fort.

Things are going well with the new toilet block. It is next to the new bunkroom/cabin that we built last time we were here. It will be an asset to the camp as it allows them to have more people accommodated here comfortably. The team have also laid new concrete paths outside the toilet and bunkrooms, fixed down roofs, put flashings on, lined the rooms, and did the entire frame-work for the insides, lined ceilings, painted and lots more

Teapot Valley Christian Camp is about 20 minutes drive out of Nelson. It is a lovely quiet spot and Kerry and Denise Adams, the camp managers always make us feel very welcome.

Rosina (and Alan) Mitchell

