



~ Dear Family and Friends ~

Happy mid March! Spring is slowly showing itself in Victoria. There was an unusually heavy snowfall the beginning of March but it has not stopped the cherry blossoms and flowers from appearing. Although not as good as a visit, we hope this letter helps to keep us connected.



Yummy pineapple, mango, and papaw

~ Hawaiian Adventure ~

What a wonderful gift it was for us to spend our 20th wedding anniversary in Kona, Hawaii at YWAM's 50th celebration in Dec. Flying to a new destination, just the two of us, was a relaxing novelty. Going somewhere hot and near the ocean was even better. The condominium we rented



Anniversary dinner at the beach

was just right for us. We especially enjoyed the local Farmer's Market practically in our backyard, and the unobstructed view of the ocean. Our economy rental car was upgraded by the rental company to a Mustang convertible which was a fun way to sightsee. We took a couple of driving tours to the north and east sides of the Big Island to check out the active volcano and the



Snorkeling at a definitely a to be swimming with sea turtles and brilliantly multi-coloured fish. The whole trip was a precious gift.



tropical rainforest. nearby beach was highlight. It was amazing

~ To God be the Glory ~

The YWAM anniversary celebration ran similar to a conference with main sessions in the mornings and evenings, and elective activities in the afternoons. It was refreshing and inspiring to be in a crowd of up to 3,500 other worshippers of all nations and cultures, bound together by our YWAM "family ties". What an amazing bunch of people! We had reunions with friends from all over the world, and made some new ones. We came away encouraged by hearing about what God is doing worldwide and seeing His faithfulness over the past 50 years of YWAM's history. The emphasis was definitely on what GOD has done, even with our weaknesses, and not on what we have accomplished. The commission for the next 50 years is to keep



Philippians on the main stage



hearing and doing what God is directing, persevering in obedience and love for Him and mankind. John's Philippians presentations added a great flavour to the conference. During the opening ceremonies he represented his homeland as he carried in the Barbados flag. Read more about what's happening with YWAM internationally at www.ywam.org.

~ What's the Word ~

A new YWAM ministry, YWAM Wellspring (www.ywamwellspring.com) has been launched in Victoria. With the growing ministries in the area, several staff are meeting periodically to connect and pray together. These have been encouraging times as we grow our YWAM family. John is also part of a group from our church preparing for an outreach to Mityana, Uganda in January 2012. His plans to go last



Jeffrey 13, Daniel 15, Timothy 17

In our next newsletter hear about John's newest 40 min production: Ruth - Loss to Redemption



year did not work out so we are praying towards 2012. The team will be working alongside a local Ugandan ministry, www.kingskidhome.com, to bless the children and the town. If you would like to partner with him in this outreach please let us know.

Timothy, Jeffrey and John are volunteering again this year with Extreme Outreach's children's ministry "SuperKids". One of the stories John will be sharing is "Little D and the Phili Giants", his version of David and Goliath. The story is told from the perspective of a baseball game with Little D and God's team winning in the end.



Dad's 90th Birthday celebration in Dec

~ At Home ~

Timothy is playing Rugby for a high school team and giving Shelly lots of opportunity to cringe with each tackle. Daniel continues to operate the sound board for the youth worship team and is looking forward to his welding course starting in July. Jeffrey is learning at home with Shelly, delivering newspapers and indulging in sushi every now and again. Shelly has her garden planned out and will soon start germinating the seeds. She is also contemplating creating a photo blog. We look forward to Shelly's niece Renae's wedding in May and Shelly's parents' visit.

*Watch your thoughts, they become words.
Watch your words, they become actions.
Watch your actions, they become habits.
Watch your habits, they become character.
Watch your character, it becomes your destiny.*

F. Outlaw



The Wason Family at Christmas



Thank you for all your love, prayer and support!
John, Shelly, Timothy, Daniel & Jeffrey

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