



The Marshall Family

Missionaries to Australia

Dear Fellow-Labourers in Christ,



December
2011

Merry Christmas



Health Updates

Our church planned an outreach for our Christmas service. We placed an invitation to our service in every home in Palmerston and ran two different advertisements in our local newspaper. On Christmas Eve, Darwin was placed under a Cyclone watch. The news was saying to carry on with normal morning plans; however to be inside by 6 P.M. on Christmas day. With this news, we planned to carry on with the service at 10:00A.M.

Melissa is continuing to recover well from her knee reconstruction. She has 100 degrees of bend back in her knee which is better than she had before the surgery.

In December, she had to have a second surgery to remove the screws from her leg. She is doing much better now. Please continue to pray for her as she recovers from these knee surgeries.

When we arrived at the place we rent for services, we were informed that the building was in lockdown and no one was aloud to use it. Quickly, we had to move the service to our house and leave someone behind to redirect any visitors.



Despite all these challenges, we still had 17 in service with 1 visitor who had to be redirected! After the service, we all had a great time of fellowship over a shared Christmas lunch.

Melissa and I want to thank everyone who sent us Christmas presents and special offerings. We greatly appreciated them.

In the end, the cyclone turned and never hit Darwin! It was not the way we would have planned it, but God still blessed the outreach.



Furlough

We are beginning to plan our first furlough. Our family should be arriving back in the US sometime in June 2012 and be there until June/July 2013. If you would like us to report to your church, please email me at joe@thatalltheearthmayknow.com.

We look forward to catching up with each church that has played a vital role in partnering with us.



For your prayers and financial support!

His For Australia,
Joe, Melissa, Breanna,
Josiah, and Kaitlyn
Marshall