

The Nancarrows in India

An email has arrived from Ross and Donna in India on Friday 13th August 2010. saying:

Thank you for praying!

We are settling in OK here, we have been really blessed to be able to stay with Steve & Sonya Anson and their family - they have 4 kids, aged from 4 -11. Their house is great, with lots of room and quite well set out. This blessing is allowing us to ease into the confronting cultures of Indian life, while finding our feet on how to live and perhaps even thrive here.

Yesterday I heard this really loud trumpet sounding off outside the front gate, when I went out to investigate, I found a guy with a 'holy cow' all decked out right up to decorated horns. The guy goes from house to house making a huge noise and the cow is there to 'bless' the house - so of course you are expected to then give the guy some money!. Yea - fat chance.

We feel very blessed to be able to minister here, in many ways this is a

dream come true, being a little more on the front lines and able to directly impact church planting in the region.

Yesterday Jay, my Indian colleague gave me profiles of 25 people who have just finished some biblical training in Napal, all have indicated they want to be involved in church planting in Napal (Napal is less than .05% christians) Jay went on to say that he is unable to deploy any of these people, because of lack of resources. Yet it only costs \$90 - \$100 each month

I'm preaching on Sunday morning and the Spiritual Life conference starts Sunday night. I have 9 one hour spots to preach / teach in that conference from Monday - Thursday. Pray also that as we interact with the many church planters who will be at the conference - that we will have insight to meet their needs and be a blessing

Donna is looking at doing one day a week at a slum, ministering to the pregnant ladies there; one day a week at a college doing the same; and one day a fortnight at a clinic in a place called Kandilli - about 3 hrs away. That should keep her busy and fulfilled in the nursing realm.

Ross & Donna



Meet Doris

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Meet Doris.

She is four and a half.

She suffers from asthma.

Doris lives in one of the poorest families in the seaside town of Merida in the Philippines. Her father is unemployed and her mother only sometimes has work. They struggle to survive.

That is why Doris has been offered a place in the Children's Ministry in the local evangelical church. There, Doris receives food, clothing, hygiene education, medical aid and a multitude of other helps. She is also introduced to a new friend—Jesus.

Compassion provides the finance for all this help which is



vital for Doris' welfare. The money is used by the church to give Doris a life, until her sponsorship is arranged.



Meet Doris (cont.)

What Doris now needs is someone in Grace church to love her, pray for her, write to her and provide the sponsorship she needs. For Doris is one of the children from Merida waiting for a sponsor in Grace.

Special Relationship

There is another reason for someone from Grace to sponsor Doris and the many children also on offer. Compassion is one of the organisations in the Grace Mission Family.

Grace has a special relationship with the little Merida Church, which conducts their children's ministry through the Compassion system.

Over 30 of the children in this project, which we know as PH 938, are sponsored by members and groups within Grace Church. Korean Christians sponsor the other children in the project.

Grace Church also has a partnership with Project PH 938 whereby we are able to provide resources for both the church, and its Children's ministry.

For example, Pastor Louis told Grace church that he only had one aim for his church, apart from the children's ministry. He wanted to ground the congregation in The Word. He wanted his people to know and appreciate the Scriptures. But the congregation was too poor to be able to afford their own Bibles.

So, Grace Church, your church, provided 20 Bibles in Cebuano. Now the Pastor can see his dream fulfilled.

Will you be Doris' sponsor?

Will you sponsor Doris please. Or one of the other available children? All it takes is the sacrifice of \$44 a month, and time to write to your child, and time to pray for her.

Please see Gill or Bob Arvidson at the Compassion table, and yarn with them about all the benefits of sponsorship—for your child and for you.

Bob Arvidson

Carlson Family Fact File (Cont.)

Our new home is about 10 minutes east of where we are living now. So we will be closer to Coldstream for Peter but definitely further away from the new BCV. This might make it harder for me to complete my Certificate IV in Ministries .

However there are some options, firstly BCV are thinking of offering some subjects at Lilydale to cater for mission aviation students and their wives. Secondly there is the possibility of completing subjects at a higher level via BCV distance education.



There will be some advantages to living in our new home including extra bedrooms and our own laundry – very different to our current 2 bedroom unit with shared laundry down the end of the block.

If approval is not granted for other family accommodation at the site it may be quite lonely and isolating for the girls and I as we will all miss the rich experience of community life.

Please pray with us that approval will be granted for the extra family accommodation on site.

Most importantly Thanks so much for your love and prayers.

Please continue to pray for our health, we have been battling ear, chest and tonsil infections the last couple of months.

Please also pray for our studies, I have one to two assignments due each week this semester, Peter's next exam is on 20 August.

**Rachel
for the Carlsons**

Carlson Family Fact File

What has Peter been studying lately? Maintenance Practices and Basic Aerodynamics towards his Aviation Engineering

Exams On 20 July, Peter completed his first Civil Aviation Safety Authority (CASA) exam; he did very well achieving 89%. Peter has been completing regular (in house) exams throughout the last semester; overall, he has done very well.

Balancing Study and Family Life This is a difficult balance as Peter's studies are very intense but we are continually working out a balance and becoming very intentional about setting aside specific family outings. In the last several months, we have been to 'Science Works' and 'Collingwood Children's Farm'.

What is Rachel studying this semester? Theology II, New Testament II and World Religions

Best thing about Bible College studies Learning more about God, the Bible and God's mission in the world; becoming more and more excited about missions

Most challenging thing about Bible College studies Finding balance between being a Mum, wife and student. Trying to get assignments done when you are constantly tired

This year continues to be challenging but very rewarding. We are both learning and growing through our studies and family life.

BCV Relocation Last year BCV (Bible College of Victoria) announced plans to sell and relocate closer to Melbourne city. The current property where we have been living has been sold, and they have purchased a new site at Wantirna. The site is approximately 30 minutes southwest of the current BCV site in Lilydale. There will be no accommodation onsite at the new campus.

What does this mean for the Carlsons? We will have to move at the end of the year. Thankfully, ACMA has been working hard to organise accommodation for the flight and engineering students.

ACMA has also applied to the local council to put some temporary accommodation for other families at IBLP. At this stage, there is one family house (currently occupied) available at the end of the year and we have been offered that house.

Receiving Christopher

A newborn baby was found abandoned behind a butchery in one of the high density areas of Bulawayo. The local area Police had received an anonymous telephone call and they went to the scene to investigate.

The baby was then taken to Mpilo Hospital and the attending doctor confirmed he was a few days old, in good health with his umbilical cord still intact and here he received the name of Christopher. The Doctor suspected the mother gave a false name & address.

The Police approached our Home directly & we agreed to take care of him. Here two Police Officers meet

our Social Welfare Liaison with baby Christopher in arm.

On placement to our Home each of our babies are designated a caregiver who will take the role of "mother" helping them to settle into their new environment. Christopher managed well and is a content baby who seldom cries. He is with his "mother" Matilda.

Now six months later Christopher is a beautiful, happy, healthy baby, thriving with the love & care he receives at Isaiah's. We give God the glory.

**Belinda
for Isaiah's Home of Love
Zimbabwe**



Prayer requests From Elise Long

Elise preached at Grace earlier in the month and now asks for our prayers.

My projected return to the Philippines is around mid-September-God willing! Please keep my team mates in your prayers. All of us hope to be back in the tribe during September, ready to re-group and get back into it as we prepare to share the Gospel, late this year or early next year.

So pray please! that our personal circumstances, the political situation of the Philippines, etc. will be stable, and that the enemy will not be able to delay the Gospel going out to the Palawanos any longer!



Donna Nancarrow with
Indian friends

Flavia , One of our Grace Mission Family, in Uganda, wrote in her letter of April 10th:

Flavia thanks us for the stickers and cards we sent and that she feels very blessed to have friends like us.

She has had visitors from Canada at school and from one of her cousins and they had a lot of fun together. She took her cousin to Church and they enjoyed worshipping God together.

She loves feeding and watching the hens she has at her house. And prays that God will Bless us for the Love we show her.

The Grace Missions Family is constantly under review. The Missions Impact Team regularly consider the needs of Grace members on the mission field. Future editions may include some changes to our family or to their circumstances!

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Grace Missions Family



Peter and Rachel Carlson. Are with the Bible College of Victoria. They are heading towards service with Wycliffe in the field of Missionary Aviation. Their most recent update is on page 6 and 7. Please pray for good health and success in studies

Compassion. Grace Church has a partnership with a Child Development Project at Merida. Please pray for the kids, families and project staff of PH 938. Please see the lead article.

Flavia Nalwanga Is a girl in Uganda supported by the Children's Ministry through International Needs. Look left for her most recent letter.

Damien Murray at W.E.C. college in Tasmania. He is studying towards a degree in cross cultural ministry. It is reported that his ministry trip to Cambodia has been cancelled!

Ross and Donna Nancarrow. Ross and Donna are now in India preparing for their ministry there. Please see their email on the back page.

Our Neighbours Ministry. In Bulawayo, Zimbabwe, Martin Barrow leads a variety of ministries including Isaiah's home of Love, a babies home. See their web site (www.ourneighbours.org) for updates of the babies and a video overview of their ministries.

Palawan. NTM missionaries have been living with a tribe in the mountains of Palawan Is. (Philippines) studying their language and culture. Grace supports this ministry with special interest in the medical clinic.

Scott and Sarah Rohdich. Sarah serves with NTM in Laurieton promoting and leading short term missionary trips to Asia. Scott and Sarah are making plans for their future which will include NTM training in U.K. before missionary service, perhaps in the Philippines.