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The Nicol's Update

with Frank & Jo Nicol • September 2026





Banner Image: Sculpture near Roebourne

Circle Image: The Nicols

Middle Image: Church members recently gathered for a baby shower

Bottom Image: Our new cubby house!

Things are heating up in the Pilbara. The car said it was 37 degrees when we went to the shops today. Winter is well and truly over but I think we made the most of it. This term has seen four big events...

We kicked things off with our Youth Movie Night. Our outdoor area was again turned into an outdoor movie cimema. The youth group kids came with some of their friends, we watched *School of Rock* and followed it up with a great gospel talk from one of our leaders. The following weekend we lit the fire pit in front of church, cooked up some amazing curries and one of our church memebers gave his testimony. A numbers of families joined us that night who wouldn't normally be in church. The following weekend we lit the fire pit again for a blokes steak night and listened to an awesome talk on what it looks like to be men who serve in the Kingdom of God. And finally we rounded it all off with a trip to Roebourne to share Sunday fellowship with the Pilbara Aboriginal Church. Its getting too hot now to run most of these events, but we are thankful to God that we were able to squeeze them in this term.

We followed our events up with two evangelistic courses. We've had 10 people in our lounge room every Wednesday for the last five weeks reading through the book of Luke and working through *Simply Chirstianity*. We've also run Youth Alpha on Sunday nights, and 10 teenagers have been working their way through that material.

It's been an exciting time, please pray with us that God would be drawing people young and old to Himself through these courses.

As a final note I (Frank) have continued to be invovled this year in prison Chaplaincy. As I walk around the prison I hand out Bibles and have small studies each week with a variety of people. The photo of the cubby house at left was built by inmates for the kids of our church. The kids love it!

Give thanks to God for Frank's prison chaplaincy and for the inmates who've built the cubby house for the kids in church.

Synod and beyond

As we write this Frank is preparing to travel to Geraldton for the Synod of the North West Anglican Diocese. For those unaware, Synod is a meeting attended by delegates from all of the North West Anglican Churches to govern

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what goes on in our patch. It sounds boring and at times it is boring. However this meeting plays a crucial role to ensure our Diocese remains faithful to the Gospel; all of a sudden that sounds exciting!

Pray that the members of Synod are given wisdom to ensure the Gospel continues to be faithfully proclaimed in our patch in the north west.

Early next term we'll be running two more outreach events. On 30 October we will run an evangelistic ladies art class at church and on 31 October we will host a pool party to declare the light of Jesus as many of our town run around for Halloween.

Pray that God uses both of these events for His glory as the Gospel is declared. Pray with us that we have boldness to invite friends and that they might come. By the time we write the next update we imagine Christmas Carols will be upon us too, so if you could please pray for us that the preparations for Carols go well next term that would be great.

As far as the church front goes, it continues to be a joy that our members crave hearing the Word of God each Sunday. We have been working our way through Luke chapters 10–19 this term and are looking forward to some studies in Leviticus next term. Church is full each week and we need wisdom for a second service. Church is full but its also transient. A key family left just last week and we still do not know how to rearrange things in their absence.

Please pray that God would contiune to raise up people to teach our kids the Gospel and it would be awesome if some musicians were raised up too.

Family life

Our big daughter is famous! She danced the lead part in the Karratha Ballet's production of *Coppelia*. Everyone did amazing and it was great to see Lydia and her friends dance en pointe for the first time. It is a privilege as parents to see Lydia grow into a young woman and to walk alongside her through events such as these. We continue rejoice in all our kids and are thankful that Karratha continues to be a place they all enjoy living. As always thanks heaps for your prayers.



Family



Our ballerina

Your brothers and sisters in Christ,

Frank, Jo, Lydia, Eli, Silas & Tabitha

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