





Banner Image: View of one of the many mines in Cobar

Circle Image: James & Brittany

Middle Image: BCA Nomads Greg & Liz Grosser

Bottom Image: James with BCA Nomad Jeanette Lane, and Fr Paul Finucane from St Laurence O'Toole Catholic Church in Cobar at a Cobar Christian Leaders meeting For some time, we have asked you to pray for a Scripture Union ISCF Lunchtime Group to commence at Cobar High School. By the grace of God, we have seen this come about! A Taste and See event was held on 24 September when 15 teenagers came along!

We are running this ministry as a joint-church initiative.

Thank God for the ISCF Lunchtime Group commencing and pray that students will love coming along. Please pray that some will return and that we will effectively use the 20 minutes we have each week with the children.

In June and July, James was able to conduct outreach visits with BCA Nomads Greg & Liz Grosser and Ken & Roe Kitchin. It was really great on those occasions to connect with two families and give gifts of children's Bibles to two children.

Our special thanks go to Greg & Liz Grosser, who came for one week in June, precisely the same time as James had COVID and was isolating. Given that Greg & Liz had been with us for three months the previous year, they slipped into many roles and were essentially running the Cobar ministry themselves for a week – a huge blessing to us!

There is still a great need for external assistance for the

outreach visiting ministry – the ministry of visiting farms, as well as homes and workplaces in town, to share Jesus. If you would like to come and serve, please get in touch. There are many people still to be reached! Recently, there has been a streamlining of safe ministry administration, which has quickened the process for becoming approved to serve in our diocese.

Ask God to continue to raise up people to assist James with Outreach Visiting.



We are grateful to have an emerging partnership with James Morrison, a church member at Holy Trinity Anglican Church in Orange. James M is seeking to support rural ministry as a visiting minister to parishes. James M visited Cobar on 6 July to take a service and will return on occasion in the future. This is an important development so that we don't have to cancel a service if James D is away.

Thank God for James Morrison coming to Cobar as a visiting minister.

In addition to developing the ISCF group, our other key priorities are to get a Bible Study running as we haven't had one running this year. We also want to reach out to miners. This has been a continuing prayer point for some time. At present, James has one or two ideas of what could be done and would appreciate prayer as we try these ideas out.

Ask God for a Bible Study to be formed.

Ask God for effective outreach to miners.

You can have the opportunity to hear more about our

ministry at the upcoming BCA Connect Events: 14 October (St Matthew's Anglican Church, Wanniassa 7pm), 15 October (St James' Anglican Church, Wyong 7pm).

On 1 July, James commenced an additional role as Archdeacon of the North-West of the Anglican Diocese of Bathurst. This area comprises 10 parishes, including Cobar. James is seeking to work alongside Bishop Mark Calder to encourage these parishes in sharing Jesus for life. James is very ably assisted by Graham Watt, BCA Nomad, the Cobar Warden and Treasurer, and now Administrative Assistant for the North-West Archdeaconry. We cannot thank Graham enough for his wisdom, hard work, and encouragement.

Ask God for wisdom and strength for James and Graham, particularly as they serve the North-West Archdeaconry of the Diocese of Bathurst.

Thank you so much for your prayers and support!



James & Brittany
P.S. Check out our video update!

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