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Going the distance



Banner Image: St Peter's Walgett & St John's Collarenebri

Circle Image: George & Carmel

Middle Image: The new building in Coledale

Bottom Image: Our Easter Sunday Service

In February our Walgett congregation almost doubled! A family with six children joined our church. It was such a surprise to see this family walk in and take up two rows; it was even more surprising when they told us they had moved here for work and were going to make this their church. What an answer to prayer!

On Saturday 8 March, George was invited to the official opening of the new Coledale Front Yard Church. George was involved in the Front Yard ministry for around six years before moving to Walgett. The name comes from meeting in Aunt Lucy's front yard. Due to frequent storms, a location where church services could be held regardless of weather conditions was required.

The block next door came up for sale and St Peter's South Tamworth was able to purchase it to build a structure. This building process took around four and bit years, the old enemy was blocking in every direction. But thanks be to God, finally it was finished and dedicated. It was such a blessing to be part of the opening/commissioning service.

The Walgett Show was held earlier this year, on the weekend of 29 & 30 March, instead of May. Southern Cross Beenleigh, our partner in the Gospel, came out to help us with our church stall at the show. But God had other

plans! On Thursday night, we had nine inches of rain! Unfortunately, people couldn't get into the showground to set up, so the show was cancelled. Our visitors hung around for the weekend, and their pastor, Peter Palmer, preached at both our Walgett and Collarenebri services on Sunday, encouraging everyone to make sure their identity was in Christ.

The annual Northwest River Convention began on Saturday 12 April at Enngonia, then travelled around northwest New South Wales for two weeks. It was difficult for us to attend as the heavy rain we experienced over the show weekend caused our river system to flood. The convention was in Brewarrina for Easter; however, on Good Friday, we had the pleasure of a group of young people, led by Walter Wetzel and his wife Gabrielle from Australians in Missions Together (Brisbane), join with us for the service. Our church hall was almost full, praise the Lord!

In Christ,
George & Carmel

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