

# Life by the Hornes

with Dave & Lauren Horne



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This year is absolutely flying by. We are right at the end of the school holidays as I write this, apparently, Tasmanian school holidays are a bit later than the other states. The children and Lauren have just got back from visiting family in the north of the state for the week while Dave was back on the Southern Beaches working. Now we are getting ready to start Term 4. We have spent the holidays eating a lot of ice cream and trying to do lots of fun activities! It is the payoff for bringing them to work with me (Lauren) some of the days.

This winter, Lauren started ocean swimming (without a wetsuit!) with some local friends, it's completely freezing but so refreshing and a great way to start the day. Posy was keen to join in and has come along to a few of the catch-ups at the river. She doesn't mind the cold water either! But we are looking forward to the water starting to warm up as we go into summer.

Nippers at the surf club is about to start in the next few weeks so that will be exciting as both girls (Elka and Posy) will be involved in the club now as Posy is finally old enough! Dave will continue as the chaplain.

Lenny is growing up super fast and has a great group of friends around him. He's always asking to see his "buddies".

You may remember from our previous newsletter that our church partnered with Christian Surfers on Easter Sunday for a dawn service. Well since then, God has been opening doors for us to partner with Christian Surfers more regularly. Recently, they approached us signalling their hope and intention to start a new 'mission' down on the Southern Beaches, and wondered if we would be a link church for that mission. After talking with the leaders of our church and wider parish, we decided this is exactly the type of thing we feel God



Lauren & Posy after a swim



Elka enjoying the beach



calling us to do, so that we can better reach our community with the gospel. So as of a few weeks ago, we officially signed an MOU with Christian Surfers, whom we will now pray for, support, and help in any way we can. They will in turn encourage any people they come across who live on the Southern Beaches to come and get connected with our church. There will be more to add in the future, but for now, please pray for this new partnership, and that God would use it to bless our church, Christian Surfers, and the communities we serve.



The launch of our partnership with Christian Surfers



*Dave, Lauren, Elka, Posy & Lennox*



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