

### Richard, Pinuccia, Stefania, Daniele, Luca, Mattia

Helping a church to plant new churches and start new ministries in Trento, Italy

Our plans have moved fast since the last newsletter. Pinuccia was not in the top 10% of the candidates, so will not be going on to the next phase of the exams for a permanent teaching position. So we have closed that phase of our life, and another has opened up: we have finally been able to decide to come to Australia and make plans. In fact, we will be leaving in just a few more days, and are getting close to panic as we try to do everything that we need to do beforehand. This is why there is a reduced version of the newsletter this time. We will be arriving in Sydney on June 25 and leaving again on August 17. It will be hectic, trying to do in two months what we usually do in three, and with two infants along for the ride as well. Even so, we are looking forward to seeing many of you in that time. We already have some bookings for various churches, but if you would like to see us or visit your group, please let me know.

Some of our meetings are listed below, so that you can pray for them, but for those outside of Sydney I want to mention two in particular:

1. **Newcastle:** We will be there on July 19, and present at an afternoon tea from 2pm to 5pm (come for as long as you are able) at Catherine Hollier's place, 32 Elder St Lambton. It will be great to have a reunion of all the people from Newcastle from those days – if you know of anybody else near Newcastle that knows me, invite them along as well. For catering purposes, let me know if you are coming.
2. **Canberra:** We will be there from July 26 to August 2, visiting Crossroads Church on the first day and Dickson Baptist on the last day. During the week in between we will be free to see people, so let me know if you are interested in meeting up some time.

Apart from trying to prepare for Australia, we have been busy with the usual activities of the end of the school year, with concerts, recitals and so on to go to. There was also



the winding up of the church activities for the year, with a lot to do for the Sunday School presentation. I will just mention one recent highlight: We did not explicitly encourage people to invite children not from the Trento and Rovereto churches to the children's camp last month, to keep it small and simple to begin with. However, one of the children did invite a friend. This friend seemed to enjoy herself and fitted in. In fact, she came to church and Sunday School a few weeks ago, so it was great to see her and see the work of the camp continuing.

### Upcoming events

*June 25:* Arrival in Australia

*July 3:* Colin Buchanan concert (I'm not speaking, just enjoying it with the family!)

*July 6-9:* ECM prayer days

*July 11:* ECM thanksgiving dinner at SMBC (Croydon) – a good opportunity to get to know our mission better. Write to me if you are interested in coming

*July 14:* Sydney Missionary and Bible College

*July 19:* Newcastle

*July 22:* Ladies' meeting – Pinuccia's main speaking challenge (as in English) of the trip

*July 26-August 2:* Canberra

*August 17:* Departure