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## PRAYER LETTER - JUNE 2010

*Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful. And pray for us, too, that God may open the door for our message, so that we may proclaim the mystery of Christ, for which I am in chains. Pray that I may proclaim it clearly, as I should. Be wise in the way you act toward outsiders; make the most of every opportunity. Let your conversation be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone.* *Colossians 4:2-6*

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Greetings from the mission of Young Life.

Matthew 3:16-17 - <sup>16</sup>As soon as Jesus was baptized, he went up out of the water. At that moment heaven was opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and lighting on him. <sup>17</sup>And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased."

Is God well pleased with me? I have pondered this question over the last few weeks. I know that he loves me, I know that he cares for me, but is he well pleased with me? Does he like me? In the world's economy, performance is the measure and that is so often how we validate our lives and we often transfer that into our spiritual lives. What if God just liked us and was pleased with who we are? Not a reason to do nothing, but to know that our lives are valid because he loves and likes us.

**New email format** – For those who receive the prayer letter via email, welcome to a new format. We hope that this is easier for you to manage. Thank you for your ongoing support. It is the prayers of the faithful that continue to undergird all that we do in reaching young people.

**Annual Dinners** – The annual dinner in Sydney was a huge success with over 150 people gathering to hear NSW Police Commissioner Andrew Scipione share his story. It was a great night and we raised over \$25,000.00 on the night.

The annual dinner in Armidale had over 180 people gather and it was also a wonderful success raising \$8,000.00 on the night.

Thanks be to God for the generosity of his people and their willingness to support by turning up and putting their hand to the plough with us.

**Barossa Valley** – We have a team of four heading to the Barossa Valley on the weekend of the 18-20<sup>th</sup> June to conduct our first ever training program in South Australia. It is an exciting time and please **pray** for the 15-18 potential volunteer leaders and committee who will attend the training. **Pray** that they will be inspired by vision of connecting with young people in their world for Jesus. Glyn Henman will lead the team with Fudge Jordan, Brooke Filipovski and Bill Maston running the weekend.

**June Board Meeting** – The board will next meet on the 26<sup>th</sup> June. **Pray** for the board as they continue to wait upon God's leading for the mission. This group of men and women are a highly skilled group of people who love Young Life and its commitment to reach young people.

**End of financial year** – As we come to the end of the financial year please **pray** for those who are able to support at this time. Every dollar counts as we look to finish the year strongly and we are currently just a little behind budget. We still need \$20 000 to get over the line.

**Glyn & Anne** – Anne, Glyn and the family are all doing well and enjoying life together. It has been a busy start to the year but they are now finding a little space to enjoy the autumn weather. **Thank you** for your wonderful support and encouragement.

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