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Dear Family, Friends, and Supporters,

1 November 2025

Somiya: She had visited church for the first time in her life the week before. Now we were sitting in the living room with her discussing salvation. She knew about Christianity and the gospel; but as we talked, we tried to clarify some things for her, especially since she was coming from a Hindu background. We talked about the fact that there can only be one truth. She shared how the prayer of a Christian pastor in Fiji had influenced her for Christ. Not wanting to push a decision, we left her to think about things and continued to pray for her. Following up with her that week, Ira got a message from her saying she wanted to accept Christ as Saviour! Sunday she confirmed that she had made that decision!

Ten-zin: We had our Buddhist neighbours from Tibet over for dinner a while back. It was a little difficult to communicate with the parents because of the language barrier, but I was able to answer some questions the dad had about Christianity. God has allowed me to connect with them in different ways. I gave a Tibetan Bible to the dad, and the seven year old son has been coming over working with me on our "garden." I have planted some vegetables and flowers in pots. It is a good way to connect with him, talk about God and share Bible stories with him.

Graceway Baptist Church: We are thankful to report that Graceway Baptist Church has progressed over the last couple of months: Praise God for a stable attendance of 15 - 20 on Sundays, a Sunday kids' class, a fortnightly Thursday discipleship class with 4-6 attendees, and a new fortnightly youth class. In November, we have an evangelistic Bible study planned. Please pray for this **gospel outreach**.

Community: Josh has been able to start volunteering in the community at the aged care facility and a youth tutoring program. Please pray for **witnessing opportunities** through these positions.

Personal: On 29 Sep - 4 Oct, we were able to attend the National Baptist Fellowship in Sydney, visit Ira's family (and have a late birthday surprise for her), and visit Ira's former church in Sydney where Josh preached for their Wednesday evening service. We have been able to connect more with some of our church attendees over the last month or so, and it has been a blessing to grow in our relationships with our new church family. While not directly related to Graceway, we have spent some time with Ira's friend and her husband who has recently taken the pastorate at a church to the north of the city. They are new to the area, and we have fellowshiped with them several times to encourage them as they transition to Melbourne. On 4 December, Ira is scheduled for **an operation**. We do not expect any complications, but we would appreciate your prayers.

Heading into Thanksgiving and the Christmas season, we want to say thank you so much for your prayers and support this year. They have been a huge help to the work in Australia. God bless you all!

Recap 2025: For those who may be compiling praise reports for the end of the year, here is a brief recap of Graceway Baptist Church's ministry for 2025.

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- **Salvations:** We have had several professions of faith, but only **one** has kept in contact with us.
- **Baptisms:** We have not baptised anyone this year, but we have **four potential candidates**. Please pray with us for these to take the step soon!
- **Discipleship:** We are currently discipling a group of **4-6** and soon to start with another group as well.
- **Churches planted:** Praise God, we were able to plant Graceway Baptist Church, **officially opening 27 July 2025**.
- **Trained for ministry:** At this stage, we have not trained anyone for ministry. Please pray for our young church to grow and for more labourers to rise from our church to carry on the work.

Kind regards,

Joshua and Ira Zacharias

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