

The **BACK** Pack

The Ron Back Family

Missionaries in Australia

January – February 2026

Dear Pastor and Friends,

God is so good! We are ready to have a great year serving the Lord. Thank you for sending so many love offerings for Christmas. We were able to catch up on a couple of bills, and I spoiled my wife with some chickens. We bought three pullets, and they have just started laying. Laura was telling me that eggs are just too expensive here in Australia. I don't know what they are in your part of the world, but we are paying over \$7.00 per dozen—and we do love having eggs on hand. By the way, interesting to me, my wife has wanted chickens her whole life, and I just found out over Christmas after 32 years of marriage—we are still learning about each other's wants.

I seem to suffer from poor character because recently, I was literally two minutes late for the nursing home ministry, and our ladies called me as I was walking in the door to ask whether or not we were having chapel that day. I love the fact that the folks coming to the ministry enjoy the service enough to call me and make sure it's on. Laura and I are learning lessons, seemingly every week, on how to work with Aussies in the aged-care places. Since Christmas, we have had 4 contacts pass away. Laura and I were privileged to go to one of the funerals of a man who belonged to the Salvation Army for over 40 years. As we drove home, we decided that we want our funerals to be all about Christ. This man's funeral, done by the Salvation Army in their hall, was over two hours long, and not one mention was made of how he loved to serve the Lord or the name of Jesus Christ even once.

God provided me an opportunity to transport another prisoner to drug rehab. A man named Ash, age 43, asked Prison Fellowship for a ride, and I was able to witness to him for almost an hour. I love the fact that he was a captive audience, but I was careful not to make him feel trapped or coerced. As we talked, he told me he had never been to a church service or read the Bible. I explained to him that trying to change his life without Christ was futile and that true change comes from God. Unfortunately, he did not respond when I asked if he wanted to ask Christ to save him. I would ask you to please pray for Ash to trust Christ as his Saviour. I thank you for helping me financially to be able to afford the fuel to go and tell people about Christ.

Since January of last year, I have been able to lose 27 kilos, which is 59 pounds. My doctor has helped with my diabetes numbers. I do appreciate each of you praying for Laura and me consistently that He will bless not only our ministry but our health. Please pray that we will see more people saved through your ministry's supporting us.

Sincerely,

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