

# Tasmania Patrol

PRESBYTERIAN INLAND MISSION

WINTER 2019



## KIM'S PATROL NEWS

Winter Patrol has seen many frosts, light snowfall, wild, windy and wet days. These have been interspersed with glorious days of beautiful blue skies and welcome sunshine.

Pastor R'jaye Rojas from Mount Stuart Presbyterian came with me for a day patrol in the South Midlands. He is pictured with a farmer and her pet sheep, who she knows by name. They all look alike to me. Having R'jaye along was very encouraging and he was very well received by those we visited. (Some of R'jaye's thoughts are on the next page).

I am conducting a weekly Bible Study with four Christians near Tunnack. This also serves as a fruitful time of spiritual support, fellowship and prayer.

It blesses me to regularly visit homes of non church goers with no religion or spiritual belief, who warmly welcome me each time I come and are keen for me to call in anytime. They know what I represent and at times I can share spiritual truths and leave Christian literature. Please pray for these relationships to bear fruit.



R'jaye on patrol

## VISITING CHURCHES

This winter, I have shared at St Johns, Cornerstone and Crossroads Presbyterian churches in Hobart. In the north of the state, I have shared with the Presbyterian churches at Ulverstone and Devonport, as well as conducting monthly services at Stanley in the North West. I have also had the privilege of sharing at the annual celebration of the Presbyterian Women's Association in Scottsdale. I value each of our churches who are teaching the Bible and proclaiming the Good News about Jesus, our Lord and Saviour.



Light snowfall

## R'jaye writes about his day on patrol.

On a mild winter's morning in June, I had the privilege of spending the day with Kim in the Midlands area. Our day took us around the area of Leventdale and Tunnack. Although our first visit did not eventuate (there was no one home), we soon gathered in a warm house with a couple and their neighbour for a hot drink and a Bible study. I can tell that Kim had built a friendship with them over many months. They are Christians, who like us in the suburbs are experiencing the challenges of life; work, family relationships and faith. In regards to faith, being far from a church community to be involved with, having Kim visit regularly keeps them grounded in the Word as they grow in Christ.

We moved on to another home, again empty. This seems to be a big challenge in Kim's rounds, so he needs to be flexible around empty houses, busy farmers, those uninterested, short visits and long visits. No two days look the same. Next was a couple (who are not Christians) who invited us into their house. Kim has been getting to know them for over a year. As they shared some of their hopes and dreams for themselves and their children, they recognised that there were some answers to prayer from Kim's previous visits. At the end of a long conversation, the couple were willing to be prayed for and already look forward to another visit from Kim.

During the cold, windy and showery afternoon, two more houses were visited. At each one, we had a short conversation but weren't invited in. Through ongoing visits, relationships can build and shorter doorstep conversations can lead to longer and deeper indoor discussions.

On this particular patrol, we didn't get a chance to do "cold-calling", that is for another time. I believe Kim's willingness and openness to witness and share the gospel to people in the Midlands is a testimony to the power of the Holy Spirit in him. *Jesus said, "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."* Acts 1.8

May God continue to bless Kim's ministry in the weeks and months and years to come. For Jesus' sake...  
**R'jaye Rojas    Pastor, Mount Stuart Presbyterian Church, Hobart.**

## FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Generous churches and individuals make the work of PIM possible. There is considerable cost to keep a patrol on the road. The Tasmania Patrol is seeking financial supporters who wish to partner with Kim in taking Christian care and the message of Jesus to fellow Aussies who live in the bush. Regular monthly support or one-off gifts for the Tasmania Patrol can be made by visiting the PIM website and going to the Tasmania Patrol page. Or alternatively contact Kim by phone or email.

## PRAYER and PRAISE

Praise God that the number of financial supporters is growing and pray for more people to join the team. Pray for a positive response to the Good News. Pray that Kim will have wisdom while out on patrol. Praise God for two and a half years of safe travel. Praise God for many faithful prayer supporters. Praise God for the weekly Bible Study and pray for opportunity to start more. Pray for God to lead Kim to rural people who will be receptive to Christian care and the Gospel.



Rev Kim Jaeger  
Presbyterian Inland Mission  
Tasmania Patrol  
Phone: 0417 303 446  
E-mail: [kjaeger@pim.org.au](mailto:kjaeger@pim.org.au)  
[www.pim.org.au](http://www.pim.org.au)

