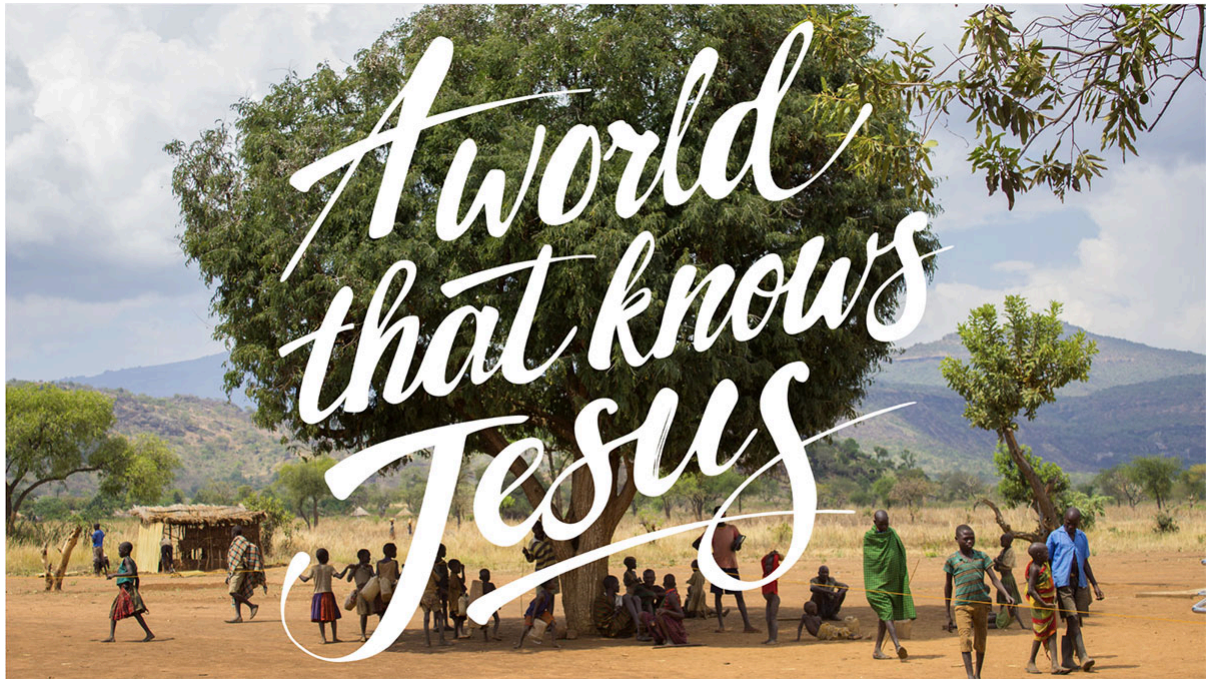


Elyard September 2026 Update



Dear Friends,

Back in Ethiopia!

Praise God for good travels and a warm welcome on arrival with friends from Addis Ababa continuing their celebrations of the New Year of 2019. Yes, everything is different in Ethiopia.



Friends in Addis Ababa

Encouragement in our partnership

We look back on our home assignment with good memories. Thank you for all who have been so welcoming and encouraging in partnership for a world that knows Jesus.



Beautiful times with our granddaughter

We just wanted to share our time playing with the youngest member of our family.



Precious times



St Phil's 'Friday Fortnight' group

Strengthening partnerships in Australia

Strengthening our partnership with a weeklong visit to Cabra Anglican was a delight. Straight away we understood the commitment to pray for us. Each Sunday school room had a wall that featured the missionaries (us) and children called us by name, asked insightful questions and told us how they prayed. Their parents shared the way, as families, they had increased praying because of their children's increased awareness of our partnership for others to know about Jesus.

It was great to start a formal agreement with St Phil's Anglican. However, this is not a new partnership. This is the church where we met and grew in faith, learning how to live in faithfulness. And it seems right that our very last home assignment visit was with the very people who led and encouraged us all those years ago, sometimes even disciplining us, as they demonstrated to us how to live as part of the church family.

What a joy it is to know that no matter who we are or what age we are, we all have a part to play in each other's lives so that we stand firm in faith and share our faith with others.



Partnerships in our other home, Ethiopia.

In the same way, we pray for continuing partnerships for the gospel that we have started with other believers in Ethiopia as we continue to equip, teach, mentor and grow in relationships so that many will know Jesus. Amen!

"As iron sharpens iron, so one person sharpens another."

—
Proverbs 27:17

Give thanks

- For the wonderful partnerships we have with churches and individuals.
- For the time spent connecting with family and friends.
- That CMS, as a fellowship, cares for their missionaries in such thoughtful and caring ways.
- For our time at Cabramatta Anglican church and St Philip's Caringbah.
- For the faithful people (Friday Fortnight group at St Phil's Caringbah) who have been beside us throughout our Christian life and that we are able to be sharpened by our faithful family in Christ.

Please pray

- As we transition back to Ethiopia and the busyness of college life.
- That the conflicts in Ethiopia will be resolved with God's justice.
- As always, that we stand firm in faith, especially through the changes, going back to our home and engaging with the new batch of students.

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