

# Rosie at Runginae

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*Christ is seated at God's right hand in the heavenly realms, far above all rule and authority, power and dominion and every title that can be given, not only in the present age, but also in the age to come. And God placed all things under His feet and appointed Him to be head over everything for the church, which is His body, the fullness of Him who fills everything in every way. Ephesians 1: 21-23*



**2016 was election year for ECPNG** (Evangelical Church of PNG) Here is the elected General Executive with their wives. No changes in leadership. President Hengebe is on the far left with his wife Benesi. 2016 was an exceptionally hard year for them as their first born son sustained a head injury in a car accident and is still in Australia in rehabilitation. Pray God will help this group to lead with vision, passion and clarity. We have celebrated 50 years of ECP this year. What next? What is God's plan for next year...and the next 5 years....?

**2017 is national election year for Papua New Guinea.** Already candidates are lining up – plenty of them! There is usually plenty of bribery and empty promises, and use of God's name. Please pray that Christians who contest will do so for God - and not for power or position. Pray their contesting will be markedly different – and they will call people to Jesus. Pray politics will not distract people from the urgency of eternity – which is ever getting closer. Pray for people in authority – for honesty and a desire to follow God's standards.

Thinking about the world situations I remembered Romans 13:4 talking about governing authorities ' **He is God's servant to do you good.**' Encouraging to remember that – and to think how God used people like Cyrus and Pharaoh to achieve His good purposes.

## **God's rule over all things keeps coming up!**

One of the things God is teaching me this year is to trust Him and His control over all things, big and small, good and hard.

Reading 'War on Words' by Paul Tripp has been a challenge! 'Talk was created by God for His purpose' So often the words we use are idol words – words that worship others things than our Creator God. It reminded me again that God rules – over the universe, over all things for the church, over specific details of our lives, over every aspect of our salvation, over circumstances, over relationships for our sanctification, over all things for His glory.

Praise God – He rules! My job is to submit to God's rule and do His will.

I am meant to be the Kings messenger, His ambassador, to represent him – on his mission and use His methods!

Pray God will help me always to remember that - and to use words – spoken, or written – that honour and reflect Him.

I am always interested to hear what others are learning of God – so feel free to share with me what God is teaching you.

## Remember our brothers and sisters

November always holds one of my favourite Sundays in the year – when we pray for God’s people world wide. This year we started with secret church and sang and prayed in whispers!

Then we flung open the windows and doors and celebrated our freedom singing loudly ‘*I’m free, I’m free to be the servant of the Lord*’

Praise God for our bibles, song books, freedom to share about Jesus the Saviour of the world. One Chinese pastor says there are 3 kinds of Christians in the West – those who have a bible and don’t read it – those who read the bible and don’t do it – and those who have, read, love and do the Bible. Only the last group will make a difference! Let’s be in that group!



I continue to enjoy sharing and praying with people – in my home, on the road, in the hospital.....



Recently it was Grand Finals at the sports field. So I celebrated my freedom to share about Jesus. I found plenty of young men who told me ‘*I’m drunk*’ (as if I hadn’t noticed!) and thanked me for talking to them. Surprising how many of them know that it is God who gave them life – and not for the purpose they are using it! I pray God will use the leaflets to speak to them when their minds are clear.

## Thank you for your prayers and financial support

2016 has been a challenging year – drought, reduction in hours of power, financial restrictions for hospital, our shed burning down, relationship issues.....

**Thank you** to all who gave finances for the drought – we provided water filter systems for the remote villages. Praise God we are back to normal Runginae – wet and more wet!

**Thank you** to those who contributed for solar system. That is on hold at present. The MAF houses have had problems with their system – and their invertors have now blown up. So that has discouraged us from progressing at present.

I am so thankful that **God is in control**, and that He is working out His best purposes and ultimate plan. It seems confusing and difficult to understand at times, and things seem to go backwards and get worse. Praise God - He rules and reigns.

And one day every knee will see that and bow before Him.

Praise God He loves the people of every tribe and nation.

I am so looking forward to Revelation 7:9-17

*‘A great multitude no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language standing before the throne and in front of the Lamb’*

Thanks for your interest and prayers.

In the precious name of Jesus in whom we are one body



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