CHRISTMAS 2010

Wilson Family

Christmas Newsletter



Merry Christmas To All Our Friends

Well this year seems to have gone in no time. It only seems a few weeks ago that we sat at the keyboard reflecting on the previous year, and now we are doing the same again.

2010 was a wonderful year for the Wilsons with some major events taking place.

Firstly, we welcomed our second granddaughter, Violet Emeline Round. She was born on 14 September at a healthy weight of 9 lbs. 4 oz to Cathy and Chris. She is a gorgeous baby and after only three months she is already smiling and giggling at her grandparents. She is a chubby little girl - already at the 99th percentile of height for her age. She clearly takes after her mother and father, both being tall. Audrey who is now three is proving to be a very loving big sister. She has a great imagination and we always wonder what type of activity she will next invent when she comes over to 'Grandy and Poppas' for a visit.

Cathy has taken 12 months of maternity leave and will return to her job sometime around the middle of

next year. She only has a little while longer to finish her specialty training in geriatrics. Cathy's husband, Chris, was promoted to partner in his law firm during the year and we are very proud of him.

Our second major event was to attend the wedding of David and Yuki in Tokyo on October 11. David had been working in Japan for the last two years as a lawyer and had met Yuki through his work. Jill and Bruce flew to Tokyo for a week to attend the wedding and it was a delight to meet Yuki's parents and family, as well as many of David's friends that we have come to know.

Jill is continuing with her very full life of church, family and social activities. She is a very happy owner of her iPad which she thinks he is the best device ever for showing off pictures of our travels, our grandchildren and also keeping in touch with friends and family by e-mail.



Bruce had wound down his work to only about 10% of his time in an intention to progressively retire. However three previous clients called and asked him for his help on some significant business issues. As a result he is back to working a little over half time and catching lots of plane flights around the country. He has been continuing his interests in photography, planning more travel and feeding us well with produce from his vegetable patch

We spent, as it seems usual, a week in New Zealand last January visiting some more of the South Island that we have not seen for a few years and then had a very interesting trip to Tasmania with our church group in February. Bruce organised the trip and drove the bus and is now under some pressure to plan a similar trip in 2012.

We didn't want to travel too far in 2010 in case Cathy needed help through her pregnancy so we limited our travel during the year to a three-week trip which began with a three day train trip from Sydney to Perth (after one of Bruce's work assignments) and

then a two week drive home via Geraldton, Albany, Esperance and over the Nullabore Plain. It was an interesting trip, especially being able to see whales along most of the southern coast. We were also able to fit in a three-week trip to Prague, Paris and London in November and we managed to leave Europe just before a significant cold spell began.

We are looking forward to being with our family on Christmas Day and with Bruce's brother and sister just after Christmas.

We hope you are all well and we would like to wish all our friends a very happy Christmas and best wishes for the New Year.

Regards,

Bruce and Jill

PS You can keep up with most of our activities at www.wilsons.id.au

