

# SLTy & Amazing Grace

We went and saw Amazing Grace on its opening night. The theatre was full – mostly from a local church. It was very moving and enlightening. Why did we go? Because it is relevant to SLTy, Wilberforce struggled with how whether to focus on the spiritual or the political. But he could do both!

## What is SLTy?

Spirit-Led Technology. Okay, so what does that mean? Well, it means walking with God in all our lives, including our professional lives in the Hi-Tech world. It means pleasing God in all we do. It means discipleship. It means seeking God's wisdom about all we do – how we live, how we relate, how we work, how

we design, how we code – ALL the time, not just when things go wrong.

So what does this look like? Well, here are the first three principles published on ICTA's SLTy Community Cards (do you have one?)

*Faith in God's power, not men's wisdom.*

Pay attention to God, even when you have the answer. (1 Cor 2:5)

*God's resourcing always gets the job done.*

"Wrong" resources (to us) may be His perfect plan! (1 Cor 1:25-29)

*Seek both spiritual & physical goals.*

"Good" technology choices reflect God's character and guard against Satan's efforts. (Matt 14:13-21; 2 Chr. 26:4-5,15)

You can read more at [www.SLTyCommunity.net](http://www.SLTyCommunity.net)



# 2006/07

Another financial year is over, so here are some financial results for the organisation.

A matter for ongoing prayer is that the ATO views a non-profit that provides services for income as a commercial entity, even if such funds are used for the primary purpose of the organisation. Wycliffe is pursuing this in the courts, with the Federal court giving a favourable opinion, which the ATO is currently appealing in the High Court. So at this time Crosscape pays Income Tax.

The following are unaudited interim results. Final reports will be available to members before the AGM.

<b>Income</b>	
Donations	\$6,521
Sales/Consulting	\$11,700
Conference	\$4,500
<b>Gross Profit</b>	
	\$22,813
<b>Expenses</b>	
Conference	\$4,517
Travel	\$5,500
Salary	\$6,384
Training & Conferences	\$1,521
Total Expense	\$26,440
<b>Net Income</b>	
	-\$3,431

Note that Travel includes car expenses Not all travel expenses have been claimed by staff. Conference refers to ICCM-Asia operations.



# On the Goat Track

David & Katrina Miller

## GRN Sydney & Temecula

Probably the biggest technical job David has done in a while was to buy and install a second server for Global Recordings (GRN), and to upgrade the existing server. So they now have 2 servers in Sydney, able to hold 9.5Tb and 7.5Tb respectively. (A Terrabyte (Tb) is 1000 Gigabyte). One is the backup server, and they hold Gospel audio recordings, as well as office data. David brought back about 2Tb of recordings from the USA with him, and there is more to come. The idea is that there is redundancy between the USA and Australia, and internal backups within those sites. So there will be digital copies of all the recordings available in both countries. David also helps look after the US servers, although not on a

day to day basis.

## So who is GRN?

The Global Recordings Network. They record the gospel, especially in oral societies where people often don't read, and more than likely for which the bible has not been translated. The last time I looked, that was for 5671 languages. These recordings are



David GRN & Crosscape Stands at Reachout

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## Upcoming Events

- AGM in November (TBD)
- ICCM-AU in February 2008

Kenaniah the head Levite was in charge of the singing; that was his responsibility because he was skillful at it. 1 Chron 15:22

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### Prayer support Team:

We have several prayer email lists for ourselves and ministry on weekly and monthly basis as well as the monthly prayer meeting! To join up visit [www.crosscape.com.au](http://www.crosscape.com.au) and select the Prayer Team link in the About Us menu item.

### Financial Support Team:

To give to the work of Crosscape send cheques made to Crosscape Technology Ltd to PO Box 4124 Werrington NSW 2747 and specify for Miller Support, Miller Travel or a specific project. Direct payments to our bank account are also possible, or you can use PayPal.

## Kate's Korner



Dear Friends,  
I send you greetings and thanks for all your support. :-)

I just recently had my 3 month check up with the cardiologist and all is well. My LFT (liver function test) which I had had a few days before was normal and it has been 3 months since my last one. He is very happy with how things are going. We are not sure what is going to happen as far as the PBS is concerned so please keep praying that this medication will be accepted and will therefore be cheaper if we have to pay for it. I will continue to receive it for free on compassionate grounds until at least Dec.

We had our Church Camp a few weeks ago. The first

one we had been to for the whole weekend. It was really good. Got to know a few people better.

Then David and I went away for a week for the Missions Enrichment Retreat. Not much "rest" but met some very dedicated missionaries and learnt how to better understand what it is to be a missionary. Not all missionaries go overseas. Then last weekend David went to ReachOut Missions Expo at Katoomba. All-in-all a busy few weeks.

We have now had Sally for two years and she is now 7 yrs old! David celebrated a birthday, turning 43 on the 11th of August.

I am continuing with my patchwork and have almost completed my 5th block! - a pinwheel block. I just love how it all falls into place when complete. There are so many different quilt patterns and I

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from page 1 produced on cassettes, CDs and mp3s. They are well known for making the wind-up tape player – produced here in Sydney. They currently have a wind-up mp3 player, with a speaker, in testing. As many as 80 people can listen to the device at once, which is very useful in community driven oral societies (not an ear bud in sight).

GRN also produce scripts and some visual aids to help explain the gospel.

The Sydney and Temecula (USA) offices are the most significant in the network, however there are centres in over 30 countries.

GRN is focussed on getting the gospel to unreached peoples,

which is a passion of Crosscape Technology. They are also strategic users of technology (all they do can be digitised), and local, so we are having increasing involvement with them. We also



work together in trying to mobilise IT workers, and in networking IT workers in Aussie

missions.

During David's recent US trip he visited the Temecula office to become familiar with staff and equipment there. He brought back a number of disks with audio recordings on them. These will be used to populate the Sydney server. Some Australian held recordings have already been shipped to the US, but more will be send in the future.

David manages the servers in Australia, as well as providing backup support for the US servers, especially during Australian business hours.

You can find out heaps more at [www.globalrecordings.net](http://www.globalrecordings.net)

## God, Where next?

David has been in contact with a couple of young men about their possible involvement in missions ICT.

Ray (not his real name) works in Sydney in a windows support role. He recently attended the Hillsong conference and was challenged to "step out and do something big for God." He was then challenged through the blogs and emails of friends on the mission field to get out and do something. And he would love to get out of Sydney and travel, and also is finding his current job limiting.

David has been in touch with Ray, and meet him in person at

Reachout. There is a possibility of Ray helping OM out with IT their new ship, Logos Hope, but it is still early days. David is walking with Ray as he discovers what God has for him next.

Another guy, James, lives in one of the Pacific nations, and is interested doing something with missions and IT. He currently works for his country's telecom and trained in Japan. David has been helping him try and refine where God might be leading James. He is looking for a role where he can not only do technical stuff, but ministry as well.

Discussions with these men and

others have reinforced the need to tackle the issue of the work/faith and spiritual/secular split. Most of them don't see their current work as valuable, that they need to do ministry for it to be valuable.

Another issue that this highlights is that David needs to spend more time walking with people on their journey. This is one desire of younger people in general. They also tend to be more focussed on the journey than the destination. Pray that we can find ways to do this time consuming activity, perhaps with the help of others.

Kate's Korner Cont'd

can't wait to start another one. :- ( I haven't seen my Dad for a month (as of 22.8.07) as there was an outbreak of gastro enteritis in the nursing home so they have closed it and we are unable to visit at the moment. Hopefully by the time you read this it will have passed and we can see him again. I wrote him a letter so that he didn't feel he had been forgotten. I still go over but

see Mum and take her out before dropping her back for her Art class. While David was at ReachOut, on the Saturday I took Mum out for the day to Windsor. We had a really nice day. Must say good bye for now but hope to see you sometime. May God richly bless you. Love Katrina (and Sally).

Below: Katrina at her patchwork



## Web Development

For some reason David is getting more requests to help with web sites. Maybe this is due to the dearth of low cost web designers out there, or possibly because basic IT needs are meet, or just leader changes. Fortunately the focus of these sites is not graphical design, but presenting information. However we still need access to someone to do some basic graphic design for us, so please pray for this.

One of these clients is Missions Interlink, the organisation in Australia to which most missions belong. It is part of the Evangelical Alliance and organises Reachout. The current

web site was built for a large sum a few years ago, but does not suit our needs, and the creators want more funds to change it, so we are planning a flexible, low cost system.

Graphics design is still required, however, for the site's general layout, so pray that a suitable person can be found to help in this area.

Crosscape Technology has a web hosting product, so we are able to provide these missions with a complete service. For more information on web hosting and broadband internet see [www.crosscape.net.au](http://www.crosscape.net.au).

## Recommended Reading

*Missions is not the ultimate goal of the church. Worship is. Missions exists because worship doesn't. Worship is ultimate, not missions, because God is ultimate, not man. When this age is over, and the countless millions of the redeemed fall on their faces before the throne of God, missions will be no more. It is a temporary necessity. But worship abides forever.*

*Worship, therefore, is the fuel and goal of missions. It's the goal of missions because in missions we simply aim to bring the nations into the white-hot enjoyment of God's glory. The goal of missions is the gladness of the peoples in the greatness of God. "The LORD reigns, let the earth rejoice; let the many coastlands be glad!" (Ps 97:1). "Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you! Let the nations be glad and sing for joy!" (Ps 67:3-4).*

*But worship is also the fuel of missions. Passion for God in worship precedes the offer of God in preaching. You can't commend what you don't cherish. Missionaries will never call out, "Let the nations be glad!" who cannot say from the heart, "I rejoice in the LORD... I will be glad and exult in you, I will sing praise to your name, O Most High" (Ps 104:34; 9:2). Missions begins and ends in worship.*

So begins the first chapter of *Let the Nations be Glad* by John Piper (2003), the book I'm currently reading. This chapter is part of the Perspectives Course, but it is still challenging to read again. Grab a copy.

## Prayer

Pray for the work of GRN and our support of that work, that the technology will do its job.

Pray for the Missions Interlink Web site, that the strategy will become clear, and that suitable technology will be chosen, and the new site will help develop the community to God's glory.

Pray that Katrina's new drug will be listed on the PBS soon, or the company provides access again for the next 12 months.

Pray that David will find ways to build relationships with people interested in missions in the IT industry.



## What's Next

There are no trips planned for the near future, although we might go away for long service leave between now and February.

We are planning an ICCM-AU conference - that's for the Aussie Missions IT folk. It will likely be held here in Sydney in February 2008, so there are some preparations to be made.

ICCM-Asia is planned for October 2008 in Thailand, so planning for that conference will get underway shortly.

Work on websites for Missions Interlink, Perspectives and possibly ECM.