



Christmas Greetings

from
Chris and Geoff

Dear family and friends,

We have been scouring our wardrobes for red and green as Christmas functions proliferate. This King Parrot, which came for breakfast this morning, doesn't have to worry as this is his permanent garb.

We hope you received our travel epistles over the last four months and so know all about our highlights of 2016. If not, let us know!

Other milestones were:

- *a Ledger reunion in Toowoomba to remember the centenary of Arthur Phillip Ledger's birth (Chris's father)*
- *the death of Margaret Spooner (Chris's Auntie Meg—the sister of her mother), the last of the older generation for both of us*
- *editing together two books published in Hong Kong—one on LGBTI discrimination issues there and another on the history of the ordination of Anglican women in China and Hong Kong*
- *Geoff producing a guide to the Bible garden of the Australian Centre of Christianity and Culture*
- *Chris continuing work on the biography of Vernon Cornish—the end is in sight*
- *weekly choir practices and a concert, all leading up to a CD to be released soon*
- *farewelling some neighbours and welcoming new ones*
- *starting a new trend of decamping to our beloved caravan in the bush while members of the extended family have holidays in our house*
- *sampling the new direct flights from Sydney to Toowoomba, and from Singapore to Canberra.*

Otherwise, our regular commitments keep us busy with church and the local community. We are very grateful that it has been a year of good health for us. We very aware that it has not been the case for so many others. And world events cause us all so much concern.

To close, here is a mystery object in Christmas red and green, spotted on our travels in Switzerland. Can you be the first to identify it?

We send you our love. May you know the hope and joy of Christmas.

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