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by John

think that cars are the best thing yet.

They are in the price range of most people. Children cannot wait to get their first set of wheels. I have made many a cart with a handle on it, and children learn to walk by holding on to the handle. Next is a ride-on tov. When they master that, they could then get a scooter or a trike. If they eat their spinach and grow big and strong, they could get a pushbike with trainer wheels. Then Mum could get a fright when their



youngster says "Look Mum, no hands"! Finally, when they become teenagers and save their pennies, they







might get a second-hand mini. All it takes is a bit of determination; our children managed to do it. Flying bubbles are not "in" yet, so I think cars are here to stay. I only wish that every driver would go for a defensive driving test - there might be less accidents on the road.

I went for many trips when I was young. In 1956, I took my first gadget filled car to Australia for three months. A good friend and I had meals from the boot, and showers from the radiator. Also, from a bag on the bumper, we had a tube running up to the driver's seat with cool clear water to drink. Guess what? The driver's seat was in demand.



Our next big trip was to England, where we bought a Bedford van and fitted it like a camper, with apple boxes for cupboards. We travelled to Scotland, up to Inverness, via Loch Lomond. Later, we took the van on the water by ship to Bergen, Norway, and travelled around the continent for 6 weeks, then back to Calais and on to Dover. After one year, we returned to New Zealand.

My wife and I got blown away by the popular Volkswagen car called "Herbie"; sometimes we imagine our car is related, by the amount of gadgets we have!







The latest idea is cooking meals in a pot on the engine, on a platform we have bolted onto the manifold. Instead of saying \$3 for a cup of coffee, on our menu we say 40km for morning coffee, 100km for sausage and chips for lunch, 150km for afternoon tea and pikelets, and 200km for pork chops and trimmings for dinner.

Our car is self-contained for travelling, sleeping accommodation, bathroom, CDs, and DVDs for movies in the car.



We also have a display for our mobile shop, which is in the rear of the car, with soft toys which we sell for \$1 or \$2 each, to support underprivileged children in other countries with food and water.

My wife and I have been married for 42 years and love travelling, and have had many true adventures. We have written 15 small books about them; they go all over the world. The website is www. coffeebreakbooks.com. We love travelling around Wellington and New Zealand.

Unfortunately, things still go wrong. SO? We are not only born to travel, we are born again into God's family through his son Jesus Christ, so we are forgiven for all the things we have done wrong.

St John Ch.3, v.3: Jesus answered and said "Truly, truly, I say unto thee - except a man may be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God."

God bless, and safe travelling.



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Getting the best out of life? You can do what I have done, and even better!
Life is for living, so trust in the Lord and Go. Go. Go!

Phil. Ch.4, v13: I can do all things through Christ that can strengthen me.

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