

## Going Deeper – September 2021

Dear Friends,

Welcome to the September edition of Going Deeper. Thank you for your prayers and support for our partners. It is greatly appreciated.

### Australia

#### Indigenous Ministries Australia (IMA), Colin Battersby

##### Pray For:

- The upcoming outreach in Port Hedland, September 10-12.
- The Discovery Trip to Norseman, September 22-27.

##### Praise God:

- For the committed group of people coming to church at Port Hedland on Sundays as well as attending the Bible studies and prayer meetings. The church has a new worship leader and others are interested in helping with children's church.
- For the success of the NAIDOC Gospel Dinner run by Ngaama Ministry in Perth. There was wonderful fellowship and many came forward for prayer.

### Fiji

#### Fiji Community Churches of Christ, Lautoka, David Reddy and Vuci Rd, Raj Deo

##### Pray For:

- The online services. Pray that God will continue to reach out to people who are in need of spiritual growth and guidance through these.
- The economy of Fiji. COVID-19 has put a huge strain on the economy. Many people have lost their jobs and some families have lost their sole source of income.

##### Praise God:

- That Sister Bhavna has been appointed as a nurse and has now started working in the Lautoka Hospital.
- That online services can continue. Praise Him that people have reached out for prayer and encouragement through this platform.

#### Fiji Community Churches of Christ, Lomowai, Muneshwar

##### Pray For:

- Muneshwar, Stella and their children. The family has been infected with COVID-19 and are isolating with mild, flu-like symptoms.

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## India

### Hosanna Ministries, Danny Gaikwad

#### Pray For:

- Availability of vaccines for our staff. Everyday about 40,000 new cases are found in India and almost 1,000 people lose their lives due to COVID.
- Youth who are enrolled in our skills training program. Pray that they might complete the courses in time to earn a good living for themselves and their families.

#### Praise God:

- For His divine protection around children and staff, even those in COVID-19 hotspots.
- That our Vocational Training students were able to resume their classes and write online examinations.

## Indonesia

### Christian Church Theological School of Indonesia (CCTSI), Hery Susanto

#### Pray For:

- The new students recruited from all over Indonesia, who are beginning the new school year with so many uncertainties surrounding the pandemic.
- The spiritual, mental, and physical health of all the students, staff and alumni in the midst of the current pandemic which is hitting Indonesia especially hard.

#### Praise God:

- For the developing ministries in rural places throughout Indonesia's 17,500 islands.

### Indonesian Churches of Christ, Daniel Trihandarkha

#### Praise God:

- That Rev Paulus, founder of Churches of Christ in Indonesia (and Daniel's father) has been discharged from hospital after a month of severe diabetic complications.
- That despite COVID-19, the churches remain resilient and help each other in these difficult times.

## Papua New Guinea

### Melanesian Evangelical Churches of Christ (MECOC), Yabru Jerry

#### Praise God:

- That second semester classes have commenced at Gandep Bible College and the teaching program is progressing well.

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## **Pioneer Bible Translators (PBT) La'o Curriculum Project, Martha Wade**

### **Pray For:**

- The Apal language Bible translation team to be able to finalise the recording and revising of the remaining text.
- The next two-week long leadership training course, which is scheduled for 24 Oct to 5 Nov.

### **Praise God:**

- That 39 students were able to attend a two-week long course in the Sogeram area with teaching on Leviticus and forgiveness.
- That the Apal language Bible translation is now being typeset.

## **Thailand**

### **Church of Christ Thailand (CCT), Tewin Somchit**

#### **Pray For:**

- The CCT Assembly meetings rescheduled for September 16-17 2021. This meeting has been delayed several times, and may still only take place as an online meeting.
- The leaders from Buddhist, Christian and Islamic groups who will come together to discuss safeguarding young people in contemporary times. Pray that productive dialogue can be had about topics such as gaming addiction, sex and unwanted pregnancies.

#### **Praise God:**

- For the ongoing opportunity of SDSU (Social Development Services Unit) team to serve others even within the COVID-19 restrictions. Many vulnerable people, including women, children, and sickly people, have been provided with critical care.

## **Vanuatu**

### **Londua and Bombua Schools, Principal Peter Bryant**

#### **Pray For:**

- Students and staff as they prepare for final examinations.
- A successful and appropriate candidate for the position of principal, which is soon to be advertised. Pray that Peter Bryant will be able to adequately prepare the school for its handing over.

#### **Praise God:**

- That Londua Technical College is again qualified for government support, having recently received the regular grants for the first time since returning to Ambae in January.

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## Zimbabwe

### Khayelihle Children's Village (KCV), Mrs Vimbai Vuma

#### Pray For:

- The spiritual growth of the children.
- The children who will be writing major examinations in October. Pray that they will have strength to continue studying and achieve good results.

#### Praise God:

- For continuing to protect children and staff from COVID-19. We continue to pray for the protection of everyone, the healing of the sick and strength for those taking care of the sick.

### Showers of Blessings Trust, Boniface Mpfu

#### Pray For:

- The ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. The lockdown restricts intercity travel. The biggest challenge is the number of infections and deaths which peaked this month. Two church members, a cousin of ours who passed away in July, and many other people known to church members have died as a result of COVID-19. Please pray for the whole community as they continue to face these challenging conditions.