Going Deeper - March 2023

Dear Friends.

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

Australia

Indigenous Ministries Australia (IMA), Nick Wight, Remy Sese

Praise God:

- Richard came into one of our Sunday Morning Services at Port Headland, WA. He
 received the Lord at our alter call, and was water baptised two hours later! Richard
 came to our church a few times, but then we lost contact. Unfortunately, three months
 later we heard that he had passed away. We thank God for his life, as it is a testimony
 to God's grace.
- For the Torres Strait Islander women and the Pacific Islander fellas who came to assist with practical needs in setting up the Port Headland church for services. This encouraged Pastor Barry.

Pray For:

- New church-to-church partnerships to grow in South Australia. Pray also for Leeroy Bilney, his family and the other younger leaders at Tjilgamooda.
- Pray for spiritual restoration and healing for Norseman Church, WA, as we move into 2023.

Fiji

Fiji Community Churches of Christ, David Reddy

Praise God:

- The church brought in new benches and a holy communion table.
- An issue the church was undergoing in December has been solved.

Prav For:

- New Baptisms.
- Preparation for Easter.



South Sudan

Christian Mercy International, Paulino Malou

Praise God:

- Grade eight students completed their examination on Monday February 13.
- There is a new school in Aweil town called Christ the King Nursery and Primary School. It is a Church of Christ community-based school to enable vulnerable children and family members access to education.

Pray For:

- Poverty alleviation in South Sudan and the Aweil region. Thank God for the CMI sustainability agenda initiating agricultural development like seeds distribution and cultivation for this year 2023.
- Peace and unity for the country, that new Churches of Christ are planted, and for continued salvations.

Thailand

Church of Christ Thailand (CCT) and Social Development and Services Unit (SDSU), Tewin Somchit

Praise God:

- Three schools and one regional church attended the workshops run by the child protection team of the SDSU. These institutions have successfully completed the next stage in the process of writing their own policies, in accordance with international guidelines.
- The SDSU can now work with two other agencies to proceed in holistic social development work in Chiang Rai.

Pray For:

- Due to fighting between the government and Burmese opposition on the west of the Thai border in Kanchanaburi province, temporary migrants are not in receipt of official humanitarian assistance and rely on the communities where they are located to help them. SDSU has been made aware of these situations and helping where they can with daily food sources, bedding, shelter, baby milk, women's essentials, and appropriate toilet/sanitation facilities.
- SDSU is looking forward to helping in as many ways as is needed for the COCOA meetings to be held in Chiang Mai in April 2023. Pray for participants' visas and preparation for the team.



Zimbabwe

Associated Churches of Christ in Zimbabwe, BJ Mpofu

Praise God:

- Recently we have seen plenty of rainfall in most places where we have churches.
- Pastors and evangelists are recording near hundred percent attendance each week.

Pray For:

- Peace during this period of the election campaign.
- Churches who might be in the spotlight during this election season. Although we discourage speaking party politics from the pulpit, there is always a possibility that what they say may be misrepresented.