



Going Deeper – July 2017

Dear Friends,

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

Bangladesh

Bandarban Hills Churches of Christ. Vana Bawm, General Secretary

Praise God:

- For the good health of Vana's wife after a long illness.

Pray For:

- Pastor Rongak's family and ministry.
- Those affected by the monsoon, particularly people facing the danger of landslides.
- The future plans for the development of the Bandarban hostel, and that the new dispensary will be utilised for God's glory.

Fiji

Fiji Community Churches of Christ, Bruce Edwards

Praise God:

- That after some trouble with one vehicle, a suitable and reliable vehicle was provided for our team.
- That Nowra Church of Christ visited the Vuci Rd Church for the third time. Both hosts and visitors commented that the relationships have grown, which was encouraging.

Pray For:

- GMP's Sam Curkpatrick and Brian Smyth, who will visit the partner churches in Fiji at the end of July, to get an overview for our friends back in Australia.
- The appointment of a new local pastor for the Nakasi Church.

India

Hosanna Ministries, Kiron Gaikwad

Praise God:

- That no lives were lost when heavy winds lashed Lasina, and 25 to 30 families lost their roofs, while trees were uprooted, electric poles fell and there was no power supply for seven days. We praise the Lord that no lives were lost and all our children and staff at the school are safe.

Pray For:

- The villagers as they rebuild their huts after the heavy winds.
- The new academic year, which will begin in the last week of July. Pray that the children will adjust to their new environment.
- The students of the Vocational Training program to overcome the difficult situations they are going through.

Indonesia

Please hold in prayer Martono Molyono, his children and their wider family following the passing of his wife and their mother, Ira. Ira was a sister and friend to all of us who have visited Central Java, Indonesia. She was a wonderful mother and skilled teacher at the Churches of Christ Theological School, Salatiga. She was a capable researcher, caring pastor and was fully committed to the mission of Jesus Christ. Our loss is heaven's gain. She is now at peace.

Christian Church Theological School of Indonesia (CCTSI), Hery Susanto**Praise God:**

- That the Bible camp has helped youth care more about their environment, and how to become a generation guided by the Holy Spirit.
- That many were blessed with the recent graduation of students. Kalfin and Any got married one day after graduation, and are continuing their ministry in Papua.

Pray For:

- The ongoing financial support for the school (CCTSI) so we can maintain, develop, and enlarge our impact all over Indonesia.
- Three students, Obby, Septiningsih and Puji, who are undergoing their one-year practicum ministry.
- Our graduates that are continuing their ministry in new areas, and for potential new students to the school.

Papua New Guinea**Melanesian Evangelical Churches of Christ and Pioneer Bible Translators (PBT),
La'o Curriculum Project****Pray For:**

- Soni's six-month ministry in the Sogeram area to be effective in reviving churches and fallen leaders.
- Volunteers to record Genesis in the Apal language. Readers will be picked on July 21, at the end of a course.

South Sudan**Christian Mercy International, Paulino Malou****Pray For:**

- Nyibol Deng Dut, a student from our school, who fell ill.
- The people who have left for Khartoum, due to hunger or famine in the Marial Bai area.

Vanuatu

Vanuatu Conference Churches of Christ, Esline Toamavute

Praise God:

- That a new person will join the staff in the Conference office this month. He will be responsible for church development and mission.

Pray For:

- A new church house, which will be opened at Valevalet, Santo, on July 21.
- An outreach team from Vunamele Church, as they share the gospel on Malo Island from July 22-24.

The Mobile Bible College, Judith Vusi

Pray For:

- A certificate that is required to complete work for permanent buildings. Currently, semi-permanent buildings are being used. Pray for the process of certificate application, and negotiations involved with the land department. This has been a need for nearly ten years.

Zimbabwe

Khayelihle Children's Village, Mrs Vuma

Praise God:

- That we bought five new cows to add to our herd.
- That the 'Family Care' workshop was facilitated on July 11-14.

Pray For:

- The children who are currently undergoing their mid-year examinations.
- The safety of our reconnected children, and that their relationships with their caregivers and relatives will be strong.

Showers of Blessing, Boniface Mpofu

Praise God:

- That six new bores were successfully drilled in the Palawani area of Insiza District in Zvishavane!
- That Boniface was not injured when he hit a cow with his vehicle on June 28. The roads are not very safe at this time of the year, when cattle are left to wander around with no herdsman.
- For the abundant rain we received that has benefited the water table. Most low-yielding bores are now producing adequate water for household use.

Pray For:

- The speedy repair of roads, houses and schools damaged by the floods.
- Rural communities who have completed their harvest, and praise God that the food situation is generally good.
- The less fortunate in our country, who due to poverty lack proper shelter and blankets. This is an issue as the cold weather is now upon us.