

Going Deeper – March 2022

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), Colin Battersby, Nick Wight

Praise God:

- Three young men gave their hearts to Jesus in Perth. One young mum was baptised and another one is preparing for baptism.
- For the ongoing commitment of the members in Bunbury whilst their building is undergoing repairs.

Pray For:

- A young Aboriginal leader to step up into ministry in Esperance through the 2022 IMA Pathways Program.
- The future leadership of the Melbourne Indigenous Christian Fellowship as Tony and Francine Riches prepare for their move back to WA.

Fiji

Fiji Community Churches of Christ, Lautoka, David Reddy

Praise God:

- Curfew has been lifted and our church gathering can now have 100% capacity.
- My daughter, Destiny, has finished her studies and started work as a doctor.

Pray For:

- A church member who is vomiting blood. Pray for healing in her life.
- Good baptism studies and favourable weather on the day of the baptisms.

Indonesia

Asia Pacific International (API), Gideon Tanbunaan

Praise God:

- Three people were baptised in Central Java.
- For those serving in, and supporting, church planting.

Pray For:

- The longing to plant a church in West Sumba.
- Preparation for pioneering the interior where there is still no electricity, no schools, and the community is still unreachable.

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Papua New Guinea

Gandep Bible College, Caleb Dankro

Pray For:

- Unity in the college, and staff and student development.
- Infrastructure development of the college in the future.
- Wise use of the college properties, good financial management and God's wisdom over all.
- Dr. George Mombi's visit to Gandep regarding the diploma courses.

Melanesian Evangelical Churches of Christ and Pioneer Bible Translators (PBT), Martha Wade

Pray For:

- The upcoming leadership training course, March 21 to April 1 with a focus on Exodus. This course was postponed twice last year. Pray that the leaders from the Apal, Mum and Nend language groups will choose to put aside magic and follow only God.
- The final format check of the Apal scriptures to be completed by the end of March.
- Pray for Pastor Kilian and his family who was sent by the Sogeram area to minister to a new church at Inasi, in the Mum language group.

South Sudan

Christian Mercy International (CMI), Paulino Malou

Pray for:

- South Sudan Churches of Christ and Aweil Churches of Christ leadership. They are planning to conduct a three-day evangelism training in Aweil town. This includes partnerships with local congregations and 50 active evangelists across the Aweil community.
- Peace and sustainability in South Sudan. Pray that more people of South Sudan will share the gospel and become Christian peacemakers in their country.

Thailand

Churches of Christ Thailand (CCT), Tewin Somchit

Praise God:

- The February training seminar on child protection for 25 local church pastors was the first time for child protection training in the southern churches.

Pray For:

- The CCT Assembly Meetings being held March 10-11.
- CCT staff and those impacted by the disruption and delays to planned ministries due to COVID.
- The child protection online training scheduled for March 22-23.

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Zimbabwe

Associated Churches of Christ in Zimbabwe (ACCZ), BJ Mpfu

Praise God:

- For a good rainy season.
- The church is now operating in full swing with no restrictions at all. This latest virus has not had a devastating effect in our country.

Pray For:

- Peace during the forthcoming by-elections in our country.
- Our pastors who are busy trying to bring normalcy to church services.

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