

Going Deeper – October 2023

Dear Friends,

Welcome to the October 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:

- Bridget Michael is now the Manager for Moorditj Keila INC and we praise God for her. Also, for Terry and Esther Griffith who have taken on the children's ministry at Port Hedland, WA.
- For Frances Graham's improved health. Frances has been in Perth where she had part of her lung reinflated. This has been such a relief with regards to her breathing and sleeping. Please continue to pray for Sonny and Frances.

Pray For:

- The upcoming referendum in October for the Voice to Parliament.
- The steering committee coming together over the next few months and development of the new budget and plans for future growth at the Dareton Youth and Community Centre, NSW.

Indonesia

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

Praise God:

- There were seven young students who gave their life to Jesus by baptism. Pray that their journey of faith with Christ will bring forth impact to the people as they minister to others.

South Sudan

Christian Mercy International (CMI), Paulino Malou

Praise God:

- Christian Mercy International (CMI) and LAID Foundation of South Sudan (LAFOSS) have distributed vital aid to 150 families amidst the refugee crisis. This includes food, tarpaulins, mosquito nets and blankets

Pray For:

- Paulino's sister recently passed away. Please pray for the family during this time of grief.
- The current refugee crisis. Please pray for those who are suffering and for CMI and LAFOSS as they care for the people. Peter Gatdet (LAFOSS) shared, *"Some are still wandering along the borders without food, shelters and medicines."*

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Thailand

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

Praise God:

- SDSU joined with a local health promotion centre and local government agency to conduct preliminary health checks in local communities. They were able to give advice on health care and provide essential survival kits for elderly, disabled and bedridden people living alone in six local communities impacted by poverty.

Pray For:

- Preparation of the SDSU awareness day (November 5) and Child Protection Day (November 26). SDSU has also arranged a special seminar on child protection on November 10, bringing together church leaders, community leaders and representations from educational institutions.
- The social, economic and political stability for Thailand through the newly appointed Prime Minister.

Zimbabwe

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

Praise God:

- On September 3 we gathered at Mhondongori for the opening and dedication of the Dwaleni Church of Christ. The community worked very hard under very difficult economic conditions, and we celebrated the good work they did.
- We had very well attended sessions on how to select elders and deacons in our congregations. We hope that good leaders who meet Biblical requirements will be selected and elected.

Pray For:

- Three more congregations we are working with near Mhondongori and hope to open more in the near future.
- Peace to prevail. After what many observers saw as the elections run poorly and lacking legitimacy, there is uneasiness in the country.
- Our pastors and evangelists who are working in terrible heat and challenging conditions.