

Going Deeper – November 2020

Dear Friends,

Welcome to the November 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

Praise God:

- For Remy and Theresa Sese in Perth. They support the IMA Indigenous leadership in WA.
- Amy and Brendon Garlett, who celebrated the safe arrival of their sixth child!

Pray For:

- Ngaama Ministries hosting their 'Gospel Concert and Dinner' at Lifestreams Christian Church on November 9, during NAIDOC week.
- IMA is a key hosting partner of the 'Our Country Speaks' Indigenous Film and Language Festival in Perth during NAIDOC week, which runs from November 8-15.

Fiji

Fiji Community Churches of Christ, David Reddy

Pray For:

- The doctor who received healing from her skin disorder. Please pray for her to be encouraged in her work and to attend church when she can.
- A university student who has mental health challenges.
- A young man who is suffering from a skin disease. Another young man needs support and encouragement to end his substance abuse.
- Salvation for entire families. Praise God the church is growing!

Philippines

International Christian College Manila (ICCM), Ricardo Garcia, Arthur Santiago

Pray For:

- Two chapel-building projects for two churches. The pastors are graduates of ICCM.
- ICCM's Certificate in Pastoral Studies, which is now available to those in the ministry but who are unable to enrol in regular study.

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- The challenges we face to educate our students online. It is hard for us, since our internet in the country is poor.
- Protection of our health against COVID-19.

Thailand

Church of Christ Thailand (CCT), Tewin Somchit

Praise God:

- That the Social Development and Service Unit (SDSU) partnered with others to provide the budget for, and the means of distributing, blankets to where they are most needed this winter.

Pray For:

- The political situation here in Thailand. Pray for the student groups in Bangkok and other provinces – that their protests will remain peaceful, and an appropriate solution will be found speedily.
- Those who have been affected by unemployment during COVID-19. Some children cannot complete their education, and younger family members seek employment too – sometimes in places where there is minimal legal protection of their rights.

Zimbabwe

Khayelihle Children's Village (KCV), Vimbai Vuma

Praise God:

- For the rains. We also praise Him for the ongoing projects at KCV, and the good health of our children despite COVID-19.

Pray For:

- The children to mature well while they are being cared for at KCV.
- Students to be protected from COVID-19; schools have now reopened, and the children are facing greater exposure.

Associated Churches of Christ in Zimbabwe, BJ Mpofu

Praise God:

- That churches were allowed to open from October 1. We praise God for this opportunity to worship together again.

Pray For:

- New pastors who started work in September. They are still settling into the routine of superintending a group of churches and getting to know the leadership of the churches in the circuit. Pray for more new evangelists.

- The situation in our country which, under the current regime, seems to be near collapse. Nurses, doctors and teachers are on strike. The government has no money to pay them and we may have severe problems if no solution is found.

Showers of Blessing, Boniface Mpfu

Praise God:

- For the wonderful response to this year's Safe Water September! We would like to thank everybody who contributed to this, as thousands of lives are going to be changed through your generous donations. May the good Lord continue to bless you.

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