

Going Deeper – February 2023

Dear Friends,

Welcome to the February 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:

- The installation of the brand-new sound desk, stage and stairs at the Port Hedland Aboriginal Church has been accomplished!
- Harry and Pauline Graham have just concluded from Wongutha CAPS after 30 years of ministry in teaching and training, being on the CAPS board and touching and changing the lives of many Indigenous young people over three decades. They have had active ministry in the communities of Esperance, Norseman, and Kalgoorlie. They also conduct funerals and speak at different churches apart from working as Indigenous staff members at Wongutha CAPS. They will be missed at CAPS, especially among Indigenous students who reside at the school. We wish them all the best.

Pray For:

- The Driver Learner Program in Moorditj Keila, WA. We pray that it will help provide clear pathways for young people to pursue training and employment. Praise God for the positive response from different community groups.
- IMA WA Pathway Training. Pray for the program in 2023.

Indonesia

Asia Pacific International (API), Gideon Tanbunaan

Praise God:

- There were two baptisms in Timor Leste in December and one baptism in North Sulawesi in January.
- API staff and management recently met for their regional meeting on January 6. It was encouraging for all.

Pray For:

- Mark conducts ministry activities in the church, on the radio, in prison and in a mental health hospital. Pray that God will continue to be with and bless him.
- New opportunities to pioneer church planting. Methods used in preaching the gospel can be through learning music, computers, and tutoring to read and write.

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Philippines

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

Praise God:

- We celebrated the ICCM 22-year anniversary in November 2022.

Pray For:

- The 16 faculty members who are tirelessly willing to teach, train, and equip students for the work of the Lord.
- Enrolment of students for the semester. Our prayer to the Lord is for His continuous guidance and provision for every one of His children.

South Sudan

LAIID Foundation of South Sudan (LAFOSS), Santino Makol

Praise God:

- For the opportunity to work on a new project and share our many experiences.

Pray For:

- That we can receive our visa to attend the COCOA training.

Thailand

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

Praise God:

- Over 300 gifts have been donated to vulnerable children through the Little Angel Project and the SDSU office. Gifts were individually wrapped and labelled for each child according to their age, need and request. The gifts were distributed on January 13, just prior to Thai National Children's Day. These children live with their parents and other family members who work on the Thai border. As well as receiving a gift, there was time for fun and games.
- January heralds the beginning of a new year and is the time for setting new mission goals!

Pray For:

- There are 100 people registered for natural farming techniques training in February. The farming project is on nine acres of land. Participants will learn to cultivate short-term herbaceous plants, mid-term fruit trees and long-standing trees, with attention paid to water sources, and the setting up of fishponds.