

Going Deeper – February 2019

Dear Friends,

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

Fiji

Fiji Community Churches of Christ, Pastor Muneshwar

Pray For:

- Church land documentation to be finalised as soon as we can, so that we can go ahead with the building at Lomowai.

Indonesia

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

Praise God:

- That our mission trip to Maluku and West Papua has been accomplished and we could see how our amazing God works among the isolated tribes.

Pray For:

- The outreach to the Togutil tribes, who live in the jungle in Halmahera, North Maluku. Pray for the team who is struggling with transportation – just small boats on the ocean. The tribes still believe in spirits and show prejudice to new people who visit them. But praise God that the leader of the tribe has been converted and needs continued nurturing for growth.
- The tsunami victims in Palu (Sulawesi), Lampung (South Sumatra) and Banten (West Java). Pray that God will continue to draw more people to Himself.
- The CCTSI students who are having three weeks off this semester. Pray that some new candidates register from remote places in Indonesia.

Papua New Guinea

The Gandep Project, Jim West

Pray For:

- The Gandep Project in PNG. There will be a morning of prayer at HumeRidge Church of Christ on Saturday February 9. Please join with us in prayer, thanking God for all He has done and is going to do. Help us commit this ministry to Him for 2019.

**Melanesian Evangelical Churches of Christ and Pioneer Bible Translators (PBT),
La'o Curriculum Project, Martha Wade**

Praise God:

- That 32 people were baptised at Wasu on January 6.
- That more couples are confessing before the church and beginning to once again take communion and to serve in various ways. Praise God that Sepa has begun preaching again.

Pray For:

- The Apal New Testament translation. Currently it is only 25% complete, and much work still remains.
- The recordings of the material to be completed in other dialects in God's time.

South Sudan

Christian Mercy International, Paulino Malou

Praise God:

- That 120 Emmanuel school students from 2017 and 2018 have graduated their primary or basic education through the South Sudan national examination! Praise God also for the Aweil Bible College graduation.
- For support of the Maluooth and Mayentiit community plough project. We pray that after three years they would be in position to construct their community schools, which will provide them a sense of ownership and protection.

Pray For:

- The South Sudanese Refugee Communities. We purchased some Bibles and visited one church, and we encouraged them to have faith in the Lord. They do trust God to take them back to their land. We also want to purchase 200 textbooks, to create a community library.
- Pray for Emmanuel III projects and children. Pray for Lydia, who is suffering from asthma.

Thailand

The Eleventh District of the Church of Christ Thailand (CCT), Prasit Tongtuswattana

Praise God:

- For the partnership with GMP.

Pray For:

- The 31 families that require assistance to move from their homes to a new village.
- Projects to buy new land or to replace buildings.
- The churches to expand in the Eleventh District.

Zimbabwe

Showers of Blessing, Boniface Mpofo

Praise God:

- For the beginning of the New Year, which has started with some much-needed rains.

Pray For:

- More rains to replenish the water table, the open water sources and to also sustain the season's crops, which a lot of the population rely on to grow their subsistence crops. These crops are the main source of food and income for most rural and peri-urban households.
- A stable economic environment. The lack of consistently available fuel (and the fluctuating prices generally) is crippling our ability to travel to needy communities. Citizens could do with some relief from this situation, as prices have gone up three fold. Salaries have not risen and for those who are unemployed the situation is worse. We would like you to pray for this situation – to see the hand of God turn it around.