

# Going Deeper – May 2018

Dear Friends,

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

## Australia

### Indigenous Ministries West, Remy Sese

#### Praise God:

- Four people from the Bunbury church attended the SURRENDER Conference in Melbourne.
- The Easter meetings at Bunbury were well attended morning and night, with around 100-150 people attending each day. A few young people made commitments for the first time to follow Christ.

#### Pray For:

- God's wisdom as Remy continues conversations with the leaders of the Esperance and Carnarvon churches to engage Indigenous families.
- Pastor Kevin Tucker, who is beginning ministry in Norseman and Esperance. He is relocating from Port Augusta.

## Fiji

### Fiji Community Churches of Christ, Bruce Edwards

#### Praise God:

- For safety, after heavy rains caused flooding (due to Cyclone Keni). Unfortunately, the Sigatoka church was unable to hold their Easter Sunday service due to the flooding but we praise God everyone is safe!

#### Pray For:

- The Edwards family as they prepare to move back to Australia in December.
- Pastor Alexander at Nakasi connecting with families; that it will translate into fresh life and hope for the church.

## India

### Hosanna Ministries, Danny Gaikwad

#### Praise God:

- That all the children in Gnyan Sampada School have completed their final examination and now have two months of summer break.

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- The procedure of getting permission to start Eighth Grade in our school is progressing fast! Pray that we will get the permission soon.

**Pray For:**

- Karan, Arjun, Krishna and Arti; four children from our child care center in the slums of Mumbai who lost their mother recently.
- Protection over our children and staff during summer break.

**Indonesia**

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

**Pray For:**

- Our senior students as they continue their practicum ministries in various parts of Indonesia. Pray also for our juniors who are concentrating this semester on their “Skripsi” (major paper).
- The extension education programs, equipping local leaders among Churches of Christ in Indonesia.

**Papua New Guinea**

**Melanesian Evangelical Churches of Christ (MECOC), Yabru Jerry**

**Praise God:**

- For his protection over Yabru and Alois when travelling for a leadership conference. The bus they were traveling on was attacked. Yabru only received a minor cut on his right hand.
- For Pastor Soni Bakura and the ministry he is doing in the Sogeram area. Continue to pray for his health and that God will protect him from spiritual attack.

**Pray For:**

- The Gandep Bible College staff and the students. Last month one of the staff members was attacked by a man from the community around Gandep.

**South Sudan**

**Christian Mercy International (CMI), Paulino Malou**

**Praise God:**

- That Aweil Bible College (ABC) is training young men and women!
- Paulino is doing well with his studies, and thanks all the brothers and sisters who have contributed to his education. Please pray for his examinations.

**Pray For:**

- South Sudanese politics. People are experiencing ongoing rebellion. Pray for lasting peace in South Sudan.

- The children of Emmanuel Primary School in Marialbaai, the Livelihood project, the Mill project and the Ox Plough project for the best implementation and outcomes for the welfare of those communities we are engaged in.
- Paulino and his family in Kampala. His wife, Lydia, is undergoing treatment for her health.

## **Uganda**

### **Pray For:**

- Jamie and Claudia Boland, new Associate Partners of GMP. The Bolands, along with their son and daughter, are returning to Uganda in May to continue their ministry. Subiaco Church of Christ (WA) supports the Bolands. Please keep this amazing family in your prayers!

## **Vanuatu**

### **Vanuatu Conference Churches of Christ, Eslina Toa**

### **Pray For:**

- Ambae Island, where loose ash and aerated lava is covering the ground, and heavy rains are causing severe damage and erosion. The gardens and many larger trees are dying from acid rain. Children and adults have skin irritations, asthma, coughs, sore throats and irritated eyes from the acid rain and dust in the air. Most of the water tanks are contaminated, and food supplies will only last another week or two.

## **Vietnam**

### **Bright Solutions, Fiona Briers**

### **Praise God:**

- That two women worked together with me at a recent international school afternoon fair. Praise God for our continuing relationship with this school. It wasn't a great sales afternoon, but it was great practice for our two women!

### **Pray For:**

- The women, that they will continue working well while I'm in Australia. Pray for Ms. T and Ms. N who will supervise and manage the company. I am hopeful that last year's business training will have equipped the team in their responsibilities and relationship building.