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Writing from Diego, Madagascar

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Support Level: 100%

Ministry

Planting Churches

Praise & Prayer

- Fruitful ministry trip
- Ministry internship for nationals
- 2 men are desiring to pastor
- Sensitive and searching hearts
- · Continued spiritual growth
- · Wisdom and strength
- Evangelism
- Outreach
- Church building Grand Opening
- · Safety and health

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Ministry Trip



We drove two days to the town of Mandritsara. We also went to outlying communities about an hour past Mandritsara to visit groups of believers, families, and communities of college students who attend church in Diego. Some of the families are believers; some are still unsaved. We shared the Gospel and Bible study material, and encouraged those who are teaching God's Word in their communities. We were there for one week, making about two visits each day. The last day, Branden preached the wedding of a graduated college student who served in the church in Diego.

On the return trip, we visited another group of believers and missionaries in Nosy Be, shared Bible study material with them, and Branden taught a Bible study. In another town, we visited a Malagasy man who will be doing a pastoral internship with us. Thank you for praying; it was an encouraging and beautiful trip!

Ministry Internship

August through September we are conducting a two-month pastoral internship for two national men who are already preparing to be pastors. The time is organized specifically for those two guys, but other believers here in Diego and from other towns will also be attending the classes. Branden will be teaching the guys, and Laura will be teaching the ladies.

This time will mostly be a continuation of the training course we held in November 2024, digging deeper into spiritual life and ministry. The vision is to continue this "module" style of classes in periods accessible to those who travel from out of town, progressively training believers and sharing Bible study resources with them to teach in their respective towns. Pray with us for God to continue to raise up national pastors and missionaries!

Church Ministry

Within this internship we will be doing evangelism and outreach in surrounding communities, and combining all that into a cultural "Grand Opening" of our church. Seeing God put everything together is exciting! We treasure your prayers as together we strive to preach Christ, 'warning every man, and teaching every man in all wisdom; that we may present every man perfect in Christ.' Col. 1:28