



THE LEE FAMILY



MISSIONARIES TO THE SOLOMON ISLANDS

May-June 2024

Hello Friends,

These last 2 months have been busy. God has been doing great work here at the church. A young man that Colton has been discipling preached in May. He preached a message on prayer from the book of Acts. It was a blessing to many to hear a young man open the scriptures. On Sunday, we have consistently been having 25 people attend services. Many who have come have started to invite friends and family to hear the Word of God taught! Many here on Malaita are sensitive and ready to hear the gospel and be discipled.



Melodie has been having more opportunities to help people medically. It seems that word has spread and she has at least one new patient a week. Some medical needs are small and some are quite significant. The local hospital is very low on medication and supplies because of poor decisions by the government. It is sad to see the needs of the people and know they will likely not receive the help that is needed.

Melodie has been spoiling us with cinnamon rolls, pizza, cheese burgers, tacos, and even custard filled donuts. We have planted a small herb garden and Colton is happy to report his parsley, cilantro, dill, and chives are thriving. He is specifically excited for when he will be able to make ranch dressing.

Pray with us as God has opened up a potential door to start a second church in a village in the bush 12 miles inland. It is a rough road up a mountain, to get to the village it takes about 4 hours by truck or 45 minutes by dirt bike. The village is called Aitolo, it is a mile past where the road ends near a village called Bushrata. I will be taking a survey trip there with our intern on July 26-27. Pray God will give wisdom and make clear His will. We are very thankful we have been able to find some written material for learning pijin as well as a local language we are learning, K'warae. The first 3-month-long English class finished at the end of May, and we started a new class in July that has 12 in attendance.



I have met two deaf here that are in need of Christ. These two do not know sign language past simple home signs that they have made up themselves. I am starting the process to learn SISL (Solomon Islands Sign Language), pray for Colton in this endeavor. Pray for these two to understand the gospel.

We are excited to welcome our first intern the 14th of July. This young man, Lindsey will be serving with us until October. He will be involved in preaching, outreach, bush ministry and work projects at the church. Pray for his safety as he makes the long trip to the Solomon Islands.

The boys are doing well. Douglas has been starting to help in small ways in the church, and it is a joy to see how he greets everyone with excitement. Douglas enjoyed seeing a small boa snake that

Colton caught. We will celebrate George's first birthday the 10th of July. He is running around and loves wrestling with Douglas and his papa.

Thank you to those who donated for an air conditioning unit for our house, StarLink and a keyboard for the church. We went to purchase a keyboard, but the one we had chosen was sold out. They still have other keyboards but they are significantly more expensive.

We just got news that the Solomon Island Pijin Bible has had another printing this year. We would like to purchase a box for our church. They are \$166 SBD a piece which is \$20.75 USD. Consider partnering with us to purchase Bibles for Auki Baptist Church. Each crate contains 16 bibles and we hope to buy two crates (32 Bibles = \$664.00USD).

Needs:

1. English Large print Bibles. (this is our biggest need)
2. Pijin Bibles
- 3.. Power tools for several upcoming building projects. (these are more of a want than a need, there is a Makita dealer in the capital that gets tools in from Australia.) There are several specific power tools that I think would make some projects go quicker.
4. Suspension and tires for the Toyota Landcruiser (the roads everywhere are very bad. I plan to buy better tires and add a 2 inch lift, and a snorkel to our Prado to help with getting up some mountains as well as river crossings)
5. Money for timber to build a platform and cross for Auki Baptist Church.

Prayer Requests:

- Pray the Gospel will continue to go forth with clarity and boldness!
- Pray for wisdom regarding this second church plant in Ai-tolo past the end of the road.
- Pray for English and Theology class to continue to grow.

Constrained by Love,
The Lee Family

