

March-June 2024

the **BROWNS** *to* **MADAGASCAR**

SAVED, BAPTIZED, & ADDED TO THE CHURCH

Can it really be that easy? We believe so. When God is at work in the hearts and lives of sinners, they readily receive His Word, place their faith in Jesus Christ, and follow Him in baptism. Since returning to Madagascar just four months ago, we have seen people saved, baptized and now getting involved in the church.

Resurrection Sunday

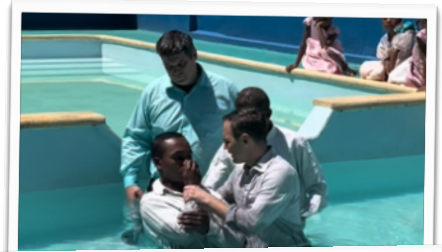
This year on Easter Sunday, we held a baptism. Five individuals followed the Lord in obedience to His command. This served as a wonderful reminder of His death on the cross and power over the grave. Because of His resurrection, we can now walk in the newness of life.

Two of the individuals who were baptized have endured some persecution from family because of their decision to follow Christ. While their stand for truth has not always been easy, we have been encouraged to see their faith grow as they continue to study God's Word and get involved in church.

Anthony Baptist Church

In April, we had the privilege of hosting a group from Anthony Baptist Church in Pennsylvania. What a busy but productive week we enjoyed together. After their safe arrival here in Madagascar, we got to work right away.

Since it was still part of the school year, we targeted four local and two private schools. In the school assemblies, the team led songs and activities and taught a Bible story. We concluded each assembly with an invitation for a youth and kids activity held later in the week. While we had the liberty to teach the Word of God in the schools, we wanted to invite the youth and kids to church where we could present the Gospel. We praise the Lord that more than 100 teens attended the youth activity and nearly 300 kids attended the kids activity. These were great outreaches and all heard a clear presentation of the Gospel.



On Sunday, we held an “American Concert” in Madagascar. Many were intrigued to see so many Americans in one place and curiosity led them to church. We had a great attendance for the concert and then Pastor Dan of Anthony Baptist Church gave a clear Gospel presentation. Several indicated their need for salvation and we have followed up with them since.



For the remainder of our time together, we enjoyed fellowship as well as serving in various ministries. It was such a blessing for us to watch the believers from our church interact with Christians from 10,000 miles away. Truly, the bond in Christ is an inexplicable wonder. Tears were shed during the goodbyes knowing that though we may never meet on this earth again, we have all of eternity to spend together in the presence of our Savior.



Goodbyes

For the last ten months, we have been working with Richard and Ruth Jertberg and their kids. They helped lead the church in a tremendous way while we were on furlough. Their presence and investment in our ministry have left a major impact. Now, the Lord is moving them on to their next ministry. Our church had the opportunity to show love and appreciation a few weeks ago through testimonies and gifts. As this dear family moves on, their example and influence will be greatly missed. We thank God for their part in the ministry here in Ambohitrarahaba.

As always, we thank each of you for your faithful prayers and support for us and our ministry in Madagascar. God is at work and it is our privilege to see His hand moving in the lives of the people here.

The Brown Family

“Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.”

Romans 6:4

PRAYER

- For our summer activities: kids and youth outreaches.
- For souls to be saved and added to the church.
- For wisdom and God’s leading as we seek to buy land.

PRAISE

- For the five individuals who followed the Lord in baptism.
- For one lady who accepted Christ as her Savior.
- For the growth of our church both in our absence and since our return.

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