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CHURCH PLANTERS TO PAPUA NEW GUINEA

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Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. —Mark 16:15

The last few months have been marked by missions endeavours! I'm thrilled to report that our church has embraced this emphasis, and we are praying God will send forth more labourers into His harvest.

In April, three of us accompanied PNG's Missionary Bobby Kipoi to Jayapura, Papua, Indonesia. Jayapura is the largest city on the western half of our island; yet it is a vastly different place! Half of the people are Papuan and look like "our people," and half of the people look Indonesian. The strangest thing, however, is the language barrier—as soon as we moved away from the border, it was so difficult to communicate, as the people there speak Bahasa and not Pidgin. This was my first (but definitely not my last) missions trip to Indonesia, as my eyes were opened to the massive need there. In Jayapura, we found only one Independent Baptist church, with about fifty members. Pray for Bobby and Sesely, as they plan to move to Jayapura in August. With a 50% Muslim population, there is a need for the gospel in Jayapura, Indonesia. I pray God will allow us to raise up missionary labourers from PNG to go to this needy field.



Visiting a mosque during our Indonesia Missions Trip

The outreach with the Goilala people has begun to yield spiritual fruit. Four people have made professions of faith, and we continue to go weekly. Pastor Ben (Kamea Tribe) has been here in town to help with the Kamea Bible Translation, and he has been preaching at the Goilala outreach. We are praying that as we continue to minister to them, that a church will grow there. It takes us about 35 minutes to get to their location each Sunday afternoon; but they are there waiting faithfully each week. We keep going.

Last Sunday, Selly (Pastor Ben's daughter who has been living with my parents for the last three years) stepped forward and announced that she believes God is calling her to be a missionary. What a thrill this is to my soul to see our young people growing spiritually and following the Lord's call on their lives.

He is on the throne, and the gates of hell will not prevail against His church!

Sincerely,
Matt and Becky Allen