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*"For I am NOT ASHAMED of the Gospel for it is the POWER of GOD  
for SALVATION to everyone who BELIEVES."*

Romans 1: 16

## Guest Editorial

### MISSION - PSALM 96 WORSHIP, WITNESS AND WATCH!

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Why do we reach out to others with the good news of Christ? What is in the end the driving force behind God's mission to the world? There are a lot of good, Scriptural answers to this. We could answer and say that we promote Christ because He means so much to us personally; and that is true. We could also respond by saying that we promote Christ because in the Great Commission He commands us to do so (Matt. 28: 18-20); and that is true as well. The answer of one of the great missionary psalms points in a different direction:

*Oh, sing to the LORD  
a new song!*

*Sing to the LORD, all  
the earth.*

*Sing to the LORD,  
bless His name;*

*Proclaim the good  
news of His salvation  
from day to day.*

*Declare His glory  
among the nations,*

*His wonders among all  
peoples."*

*(Psalm 96: 1-3)*

In the opening lines of the psalm God's people in the Old Testament are urged to 'sing to the LORD' and to

'bless His name' within the earshot of the people around them. They are encouraged to worship the LORD. With the words of verse 3, they were to "declare His glory *among the nations*, His wonders *among all peoples*."

The song is an invitation to the heathen nations to come and to worship the God of Israel; yes, to "bring an offering, and come into His courts." (v. 8). And this is just the fulfilment of king Solomon's inaugural prayer for the temple in Jerusalem. After pleading with the LORD for blessings on Israel, Solomon asks for the same blessings to be given to the gentiles: concerning a foreigner, who is not of Your people Israel, but has come from a far country for Your name's sake ... when he comes and prays toward this temple, hear in heaven Your dwelling place, and do according to all for which the foreigner calls to You, that all peoples of the earth may know Your name and fear You, as do Your people Israel" (1 Kings 8: 41-43).

The gospel is - even in the Old Testament - not only for the Israelites, but also for the heathen people. And why were God's people to declare the praises of God for the gentiles? What is the logic behind the call of Psalm 96 to proclaim God's glory and salvation to the unbelievers? It's clear from the verses 4 and 5:

*"For the LORD is great and  
greatly to be praised;*

*He is to be feared above all  
gods.*

*For all the gods of the  
peoples are idols,*

*But the LORD made the  
heavens."*

*(Psalm 96: 4.5)*

The glory and majesty of the LORD must be promoted throughout the nations for the simple reason that there is no other LORD of the nations and no other Creator of the universe. All of the so-called god's are 'idols'.

What is the ultimate reason to reach out to the unbelievers with the good news of salvation? Just look at the incomparable greatness of our God. "He is to be feared above all gods" (v. 4) because "all the gods of the peoples are idols" (v. 5). They are 'non-existent things,' good for nothings, unreal useless. That which is nothing is powerless. In the Hebrew language it sounded as a funny word-play contrasting the true God and idols. The 'elohim' (the plural for the gods of the nations) are mere 'elilim' (idols): literally: "nothingness/worthlessness" And this is in actual fact the driving force behind all our efforts to 'proclaim the good news' and to 'declare God's glory' to all people. Something that is nothing can make nothing. "But the LORD made the heaven." The LORD (Yahweh) is the Creator. This should cause our heart to rejoice and sing. How superior is

the LORD who made the heavens and the earth. God's architecture is a constant reminder of His presence. The sky, the lamps in the heavens, the rain that falls on our heads, the dew in our fields, the thunder and the flash of lightening are His voice to every creature. No wonder the Psalmist uses expressions like 'splendour', 'majesty', 'strength' and 'beauty' to describe his thoughts of wonder love and praise to our God.

The Apostle Paul expresses the same idea when he wrote to new Christians who had come out of pagan culture. They were anxious about food that had been sacrificed to idols in pagan temples and then made available commercially for people to purchase and take home and prepared to eat. He said, "we know that an idol is nothing in the world, and that there is no other God but one." (1 Cor. 8: 4). The idols of the new age pantheistic greenies are only a fabrication of an empty imagination. They are powerless to effect a living relationship with a holy God. Therefore the Apostle Peter wrote, "Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved." (Acts 4:12). Because there is only one LORD the people of this LORD must promote this reality everywhere and to everyone.

*"Say among the nations,  
"The LORD reigns;*

*The world also is firmly  
established,*

*It shall not be moved;*

*He shall judge the peoples  
righteously."*

*(Psalm 96: 10)*

God's people should witness to the nations about His sovereign rule (96:10). Even though at present God permits the nations to rage against His Messiah (Ps. 2:1-3), He still reigns. It reminds us of Isaiah 52:7, "How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him who brings good news, who proclaims peace, who brings glad tidings of good things, who proclaims salvation, who says to Zion, "Your God reigns!" Although at present, Jesus' enemies are not all under His feet (1 Cor. 15:25-28), He is coming again in power and glory, to rule the nations with a rod of iron (Rev. 19: 11-16). He came the first time as the humble Saviour, to die for our sins. But He will come again to rule and judge.

We do not proclaim the gospel adequately if we only present the Lord Jesus as meek and mild, gently knocking on your heart's door, wishing that you would open up to Him. No way; the Lord Jesus Christ is the risen, sovereign, righteous King of kings and Lord of lords, who is coming with all the armies of heaven, with His sword coming out of His mouth to strike down the nations. "He Himself treads the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God." (Rev. 19: 15). Sinners can either

bow willingly before Him now, or they will bow forcedly when He comes. Therefore we can give lost people the idea that the Lord Jesus is a wimpy weakling! He is the sovereign Judge! That leads to the closing part of our mission Psalm:

*“Let the heavens rejoice,  
and let the earth be glad;*

*Let the sea roar, and all  
its fullness;*

*Let the field be joyful, and  
all that is in it.*

*Then all the trees of the  
woods will rejoice before  
the LORD.*

*For He is coming, for He  
is coming to judge the  
earth.*

*He shall judge the world  
with righteousness,*

*And the peoples with His  
truth.” (Psalm 96: 11-13)*

The thought of God judging the peoples righteously (v.10.13) leads the psalmist to call the inanimate creation to break forth in praise. These verses remind us of Paul's comments in Romans 8:19-22, that the creation presently groans under the curse, waiting for the day of redemption when it will be restored. The Lord's coming to judge the earth refers to the second coming of the Lord Jesus Christ. And we can be sure: no one will be judged unfairly. Everyone who does not receive mercy will receive perfect justice.

Righteousness refers to God's perfect standard, which is Himself. He has revealed His righteousness in His Word. He will not judge on the curve of human goodness, but according to the absolute standards of His own righteous nature. Truth can also be translated as faithfulness. It means that the Lord will not be arbitrary or whimsical in His judgment. He will judge each person faithfully and truthfully.

**Mark 13:35,37**  
**“Watch, therefore,  
for you do not know  
when the master of  
the house is  
coming... lest he  
find you sleeping...”**

God's righteous judgment will either be a source of great terror or great joy. For those who have not received salvation and forgiveness through the Saviour whom God has sent, it will be a day of stark terror. They will cry out to the mountains and to the rocks, “Fall on us and hide us from the face of Him who sits on the throne and from the wrath of the Lamb!” (Rev. 6: 16). Reason enough to preach the gospel and to ‘say among the nations, “The LORD reigns.”’ (v.10).

Psalm 96 is crystal clear. As children of God we can't stop worshipping God; “Oh, sing to the LORD a new song!” Our voices will break forth in singing His praises. Our thoughts will often be on how great and mighty God is. And when we truly worship God we will witness the gospel to those who do not know. When we are captivated by a beautiful mountain scene, we can't help but tell others about it. When we are captivated by the majesty and splendour of our glorious God, we want to tell others about Him. And, as long as there are peoples around the world with no witness of the Saviour, we will support the mission to go and tell them.

And yes, while worshipping and witnessing we are waiting for the Lord Jesus Christ's coming to judge the world in righteousness. “Watch therefore, for you do not know when the master of the house is coming - in the evening, at midnight, at the crowing of the rooster, or in the morning - lest, coming suddenly, he find you sleeping. And what I say to you, I say to all: Watch!” (Mark 13: 35-37).

And this is our mission-psalm in summary: WORSHIP, WITNESS and WATCH!

*Darling Downs,*

**Rev W. van der Jagt**

## Armadale Mission Board

### CHAIRMAN'S MUSINGS

With thankfulness to the Lord, Brother and Sister Julian and Shannel have safely returned, and for them they start their next chapter of life in Bunbury. We are very thankful for the work that the Lord allowed them to do in PNG, and may God bless them in their task in Bunbury. We are thankful that Julian and Shannel could also pop into Cairns on their way home. It's nice that there is a place very close to PNG that our mission families can stay at and be supported by the home congregation in Cairns. Another reason for thankfulness is that Pastor Ryan, Ruth and family have returned to the field and reacquainted themselves with their task. We are also thankful that David and Cheree vanderWal are able to assist us with the critical items that pop up during the absence of Julian and Shannel and whilst we prayerfully wait for the new Mission Support worker couple to join Ryan and Ruth on the field.

It was with much excitement that the FRC Armadale could note in the last bulletin for last year that:

“From the Armadale Consistory: At its meeting held on Monday 9th of December 2019 it was noted with much thankfulness that Br and Sr Ben and Merinda van de Kamp from the Church of Mundijong could



*Maddie VanderWal and Anna Slobe*

be appointed to and take up the position as the Mission Support couple. As Consistory and congregation of Armadale we wish them the Lord's blessings as they go in to a period of preparation for the task in Lae that lies ahead of them. We are also very thankful for all who were able to take the time to prayerfully consider and indeed apply the position. The passionate plea that came from Rev R deJonge for a couple has been graciously answered by the Lord. May the work in Lae continue to be blessed by

our Heavenly Father, as well as the search for another Missionary as that search will continue on. Please remember the Brothers and Sisters in Papua New Guinea in your prayers as well as the Mission Board, the Missionaries, their families as all are deeply grateful for the ongoing support that they receive.”

Truly a wonderful blessing. It is with further excitement that in the past week, Ben and Merinda could also receive another healthy child from the

Lord. With the latest addition, the Board has now applied for their work permit and Visa, and may God graciously bless this endeavor so that in due time, Ben and Merinda can join Ryan and Ruth on the field. We can report with thankfulness that Ben and Merinda also received their work permit, so now we wait and pray for their visas.

Hot on the heels from the Australian Mission Conference, Canada also held a Mission conference. All the speeches can be viewed on the Canadian Seminary Website. Pastor Ryan also presented at this conference. The videos from the Mission Conference in Australia have been tidied up a bit and can be found here: (all one link no space)

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCg47bNWdtv30zYdT3hLQJw>

We hope to publish the summary of the speeches and the Q&A panel discussion in future editions of the Mission News. What is striking from both conferences is the call to foreign missions, the need for missionaries and the reinforcement that foreign mission needs to firmly be in the forefront of our minds. This is a fairly huge burden for the Mission Board. The Board has sent out numerous calls for missionaries since Br Tim Sikkema left the field, and since then (2015) hasn't received a



Julian Slobe cooking up 180 hotdogs

second missionary from the Lord (Pastor Ryan indeed replaced Brother Tim, however Pastor Ian who left in Jan 2017 still hasn't been replaced). To add to this, the RCBC hasn't yet been able to find a replacement for Pastor Douma, and there is a significant need for a 3<sup>rd</sup> missionary in Port Moresby to assist the fledgling church plants there. The Mission Board has sent a flyer (brochure) to all (as far as we could determine the email addresses) the ministers from our sister churches. So far we have indeed receive some positive responses, but the number of responses is so low still (after a week only had 15% of replies). Brothers and Sisters, those who are spending time reading this Musing, we urge you to pray for men to become available to assist with the Mission work in PNG, and also in so many fields yet un-won around the world. Currently

within the FRCA and CanRC, there are only four missionaries working on foreign mission fields. We hope and pray that the call is indeed heard, and that God blesses this call and that it is His plan to provide workers soon. But we also need to be humble and understand that it is indeed His plan, and so may we work always with this knowledge.

On a local level in PNG, I just received the first College Tok Save from RCBC. (tok save means: information sharing). In this Tok Save, I noted that there are 6 students coming from Lae. 2 are from LCM via a private sponsorship program between members of FRCA/RCNZ/CanRC and the RCBC, a couple from Living Water Christian Church and tentatively 2 single brothers also from Lae region (Living Water Christian Church. May God continue to work in the hearts of these new students and if the



Shannel Slobe prepping to serve for the church amamas

Lord wills, may there be more indigenous Pastors, evangelists, elders and deacons that can support the work in PNG.

The board continues to appreciate the support of the co-operating and supporting churches for the work done in PNG, may you all continue to pray for the work being done. May God continue to bless the work done in the PNG!



Prayer points:

- Pray for the men to hear the call for foreign mission. Pray for the raising of missionaries in our families. Pray that Mission work will never cease until the Trumpet call.

- Pray for the Visa application for Ben and Merinda
- Pray that God has given Pastor Ryan and Ruth a good break now in Canada, and have now well and truly resettled back into their way in PNG.
- Pray for the work of RCBC which is about to commence is 2020 academic year, and may the Lord provide another missionary to assist Pastor Cor and Br Mark Mulder.

Chairman  
Armada Mission Board

Frank Janssen



## Birthday Corner

### APRIL

Calvin VanderWal 18 April 2013

### MAY

Rev. Ryan DeJonge 10 May  
Mrs. Ruth DeJonge 24 May

### JUNE

Rev. Cornelis Kleijn 9 June 1981  
Matthew DeJonge 18 June 2008  
Isaac VanderWal 25 June 2011



## NEW HOPE (HARAPAN BARU)

*“Those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles”.*  
Isaiah 40:31



### New Hope Home

December definitely ranks high in the busiest month of the year according to the New Hope Index! The New Hope children are actively involved in church life and around this time that means Christmas preparations. Typically it is the young people who will put together the annual Christmas program, which involves everything from cleaning the church, decorations and program. Many afternoons are filled practicing songs, poems, skits etc. All agreed that this year too they did an excellent job! The congregation members thoroughly enjoyed a wonderful evening of togetherness, reflecting upon and worshipping our amazing God for the gift of salvation through Christ's birth.

**“For my Yoke is easy,  
and my burden is  
light”  
Matthew 11:30**

The first Sunday of this year was very special for seven of the New Hope Children who made public profession of their faith along with 11 others from the congregation. What an amazing testimony of God's providence and working of the Holy Spirit! Before the Profession of Faith, Simon\* requested to be baptized. Simon grew up without his parents who were separated and both up and left their children in the care of the oldest sibling. A broken situation, yet the Lord works through this as well which we witnessed that Sunday. Among the 18 were also brother and sister Andy\* and Mia\* who came to New Hope 6 years ago all the way from Atambua, a small city close to the border of Timor Leste. They were raised in a very devout Roman Catholic family. The Lord led them to New Hope where they studied God's word diligently. Although

initially they continued to defend their Roman Catholic beliefs, the Holy Spirit was working in their hearts, quietly exposing and convincing them of Biblical truths. The profession of faith signals the beginning of a journey that will not be easy for these two, already the family is strongly opposed and even members of the local Roman Catholic community have tried to stop them from making this profession. Knowing what it is like to walk around with the burden of self-righteousness this was a decision they would not back out of. It is Andy and Mia's deepest desire and prayer that their family members too will come to recognize the only way to salvation! Andy will be graduating from High School this year and is sincerely thinking of continuing his studies at STAKRI (Theological Reformed College). We trust that the Lord will guide him along according to His plan.

### Elpida (New Hope) Schools

Psalm singing is very dear to the Elpida students and teachers. It is at times challenging to learn the more difficult tunes and for that reason they tend to get 'skipped'. To make it more exciting to learn one of the less familiar psalms, the Elpida Elementary and Junior High Schools organized a Psalm singing contest. The students participated in groups with a minimum of 5 contestants with Psalm 107:1,2 as a compulsory song and one Psalm of their own choice. The jury judged competence in terms of vocal range, vocal quality, harmony and performance.

Some great efforts and wonderful singing were enjoyed all morning! The happy winners were a group from the Junior High school scoring first place, whereas second and third place went to grades 4 and 5 from the Elementary School.

Perhaps you wonder, why stress Psalm singing? After all, Elpida (New Hope School) is a Mission school; not all students attending come from Reformed Churches. It is precisely with this in mind that we require all teachers to teach Psalm singing, so that by singing the Psalms they memorize scripture and walk and talk accordingly!

You know how it is when you hear a song a couple times over and it just sticks whether you like it or not, you mentally hear this

song playing over and over again!

It is a fact that a song can pop back into memory despite the fact that it has been decades since you last heard it, whereas recalling your visa number might give you a headache! How beautiful it is to walk around the Noelbaki neighborhood where Elpida is located and hear Psalm singing, Roman Catholic children singing psalms while watching over the family cows, or a Muslim boy walking through the rice fields singing God's word! Amazing!

December signals the end of the first semester for the Elpida students, which means exams! Students and teachers alike very much enjoyed the two-week Christmas break. Time to take a deep breath and rest from the business of writing exams, grading and writing of report cards.

January is the 'quiet before the storm' for the Elpida schools. Fairly soon the national exams will start, but for now regular routine is enjoyed by all!

### Sahabat FM 102.9 radio station

The first goal of Sahabat FM is to spread God's word. The ultimate goal however is to plant churches. Radio broadcasting is an extremely effective tool to initiate the work of church planting. Key to this is to find out where your listeners are based.

As mentioned in previous updates, part of the job description for the Sahabat announcers is to connect with the listeners through SMS, phone calls or social media. Once a connection is established the next step would be to meet with the listeners. Sulamo is one of the areas where we have a lot of faithful listeners. It takes about a two-hour drive to reach this area in the dry season and perhaps double that during the rainy season! In a recent visit to Sulamo, Paul met with Ibu Melda who has been listening to Sahabat FM every day for over a year. Ibu Melda said:

*“I have been listening to Sahabat FM over a year now, and truly see it as my close friend. I live in a small town, far away from the city, so I really appreciate this connection to the wider world! Life is a challenge for me and my husband, the physical work strains and I often don't have time to read the Bible and learn more about God's word. I really appreciate the 'Wisdom of Today' slots, I find those very motivating and strengthening, always reminding me to turn to God.”*

It is our hope and prayer that through continued broadcasting people may hear about God's word and be changed by it. Please pray for all ministry efforts undertaken by New Hope for the furtherance of God's Kingdom!

Femmy Dethan (Bouwman)



## Mundijong Mission

# RESOURCE CENTRE OPENS

On the 28<sup>th</sup> November Br Wieske and I travelled to Waingapu, Sumba for 6 days to prepare the Resource Centre in Waingapu for its unofficial opening. This trip had been a long time in the making, after significant delays and challenges in the coming together of the Resource Centre (as outlined in previous newsletters). However, as we confess, all things are in God's control and timing. And so in His time, we were able to go for this exciting development in the work we have been involved with. It was wonderful to see Pendeta (Rev) Benyamin Rohi and Br. Obed Pingge and Br. Ferdinand Paratu take up their new roles in operating the Centre.

### Resource Centre

To give you a picture, the Centre is on the corner of a main street in town. There is a constant flow of traffic (mostly motorbikes or scooters) whizzing past the front. And as there is little adherence to road rules, there is an almost constant beeping of horns to notify all surrounding traffic of each driver's current location. This seems to be the best way to avoid accidents and

keep the 'flow' of traffic going. Sharing the street with the Resource Centre is an assortment of shops such as grocery stores, hardware stores, mechanic shops, a telecommunications store, and of course the street vendors offering all kinds of delicacies. These of course were not sampled, due to Br. Wieske's dire warnings about inevitable gastric ailments, which I was not interested in testing out at this point :).

When you walk into the Resource Centre, to the western eye, it is not immediately visually appealing or what we would consider a beautiful bookstore. However, the Indonesians value things quite differently, and so the yellow paint with brown bookshelves, plain desks and a squat toilet with a bucket and sink of water to flush is more than adequate.

One of our first tasks was to visit the computer shop and purchase a computer, printer/scanner, and barcode reader. Despite Sumba being quite an isolated island, there was a good variety and quality to choose from and with Br. Ferdi-



*A view of the Resource Centre*



*Br. Obed & Pdt. Benyamin doing a quick stocktake*

nand's help we were able to find everything we were looking for.

After discussions with Br. Ferdinand we set up the centre with one side being the library section and the other being the retail section. The library section includes a study desk and some tables and chairs for people to sit down and read. A small free coffee and water station

completes the area and hopefully will encourage people to sit, linger and discuss the available material. All the literature in the library section is available for purchase in the retail section for those who wish to buy after sampling. We also plan to use the library space for future seminars and possibly running small group studies for those wanting to learn more about the Christian faith.

Once we had the layout arranged, Pdt. Benyamin and Br. Obed did a quick stocktake to make sure that all the books were present from the 5 publishers Br. Wieske had ordered from on his last trip to Indonesia. It turned out that 5 boxes were missing from one of the publishers; thanks to Br. Ferdinand they are now on their way.

We were very thankful that providentially the day after we arrived, after months of typical Indonesian delays, the Resource Centre was connected to the internet! This was really essential for the setup of the bookshop computer program. Br. Bert Vermeulen from Albany had designed the program for its current use in the Albany bookshop and had kindly donated it for our use in Waingapu. It is ideal for our use as it is easy to use and well suited to a smaller inventory, but it did need to be installed over the internet! Thanks to Br. Bert's assistance we managed to install it and after a few small programming adjustments to account for the extra '0's' in the Indonesian currency (we are dealing with 1000s of rupiah here!) and

sorting out some minor glitches it was operational.

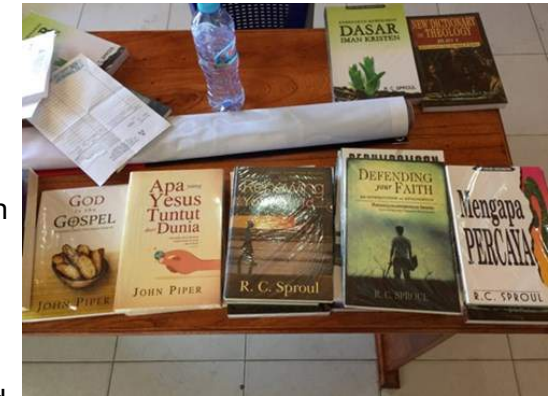
The next step was creating a register of all the books located in the library section and beginning to enter the retail books into the computer program. Once the program was up and running, Pdt. Benyamin and Br. Obed were able to begin manually entering in all (approx. 350) titles. This was quite a laborious task, but once all the titles were in the system, the much faster barcode scanner can be used for all stocktakes and sales. On the last day we were at the Resource Centre, we had our first customers and sold two books on Martin Luther's 95 theses! This was excellent practice for the brothers to get familiar with the sales process.

### Where to from here?

Now that the Centre is running (with official opening early next year D.V.) our employees are settling into their new roles.

Br. Ferdinand works part time for us while he finishes his studies at the Theological College in Waingapu. He is in charge of managing the Resource Centre, supervising the work of the other brothers, and keeping in touch with the Board.

Pdt. Benyamin and Br. Obed are present at the Resource Centre during opening hours (Mon-Fri 9AM – 5PM) to welcome customers and assist



*Some titles in our collection*

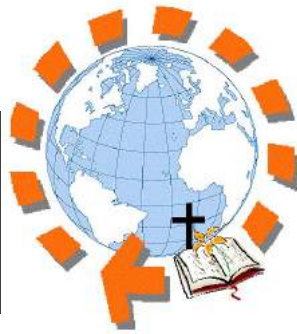


*The LITINDO team on the ground. L-> R, Br. Ferdinand, Br. Obed & Pdt. Benyamin*

them, complete sales, and promote the material available. At the moment they are currently familiarising themselves with the books, and producing summaries in Indonesian that we can upload to the website (currently in progress). In the future we hope that the LITINDO team will engage the community in other ways such as promotional book seminars, posting resources or book summaries to a Facebook page and perhaps even producing a radio program.

We pray for God's blessing on this work, that our Indonesian brothers & sisters may be encouraged in their walk of faith and others drawn to the faith through these efforts!

Ben van de Kamp



## Rockingham/Baldivis Mission

### INDONESIAN MISSION COMMITTEE

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#### Romans 1:13

***I do not want you to be unaware, brothers, that I have often intended to come to you (but thus far have been prevented), in order that I may reap some harvest among you as well as among the rest of the Gentiles.***

Our trip didn't start as expected.....after a nights stopover in Bali we arrived at the airport early in the morning to take our scheduled flight to Sumba, only to discover the plane was broken so an earlier plane without us 1 hour ahead of schedule! We were also informed that the planes for the following two days were fully booked due to a big conference regarding the World council of Churches being held in Waiangapu Sumba. Frustration was setting in as we thought about the impact this would have on our already busy schedule. After discussions with the airline staff we were able to get a flight to Kupang-Timor later that morning with a connecting flight to Sumba early the following day.

After arriving in Timor we took a taxi to Rev. Madah Biha's house where we were warmly greeted

and spent an enjoyable night as their guests. A highlight was devotions and singing along to the fantastic piano playing of Rev Madah Biha's daughter Grace. What began as a mishap turned into a wonderful experience!

Early the following morning we arrived in Sumba. As we made our final approach to the airport, the thing that struck me was how much new development had happened in the 5 years since I'd last visited. Large swaths of land were being cleared and prepared for what I would later find out was a large future sugar cane industry.

After arranging our motorbikes I noticed another welcome change to Sumba since my last visit – upgraded roads! After lunch at the Christian school in Konjonga (Supported by the Children of Light Australia) we



Rev. Madah Biha and his wife in Kupang, Timor



Alfresco meeting with the consistory of Padiratana

travelled east to Patawang. As this would be our base for most of the trip we unloaded a lot of our luggage and then travelled over the mountainous interior of the island to the Village of Padiratana. We support the Church of Padiratana for a number of mission posts, one

being the mission post in Watubara which is a short distance away. Here we had an informal meeting with Rev. Ferdinand, the minister of Padiratana and Evangelist Melky who serves at this post along with the rest of the consistory of Padiratana. After sharing a meal with some of the congregation we slept the night in the house of one of the village elders who is 94 years of age.

We worshiped at the mission post of Watubara with Ev. Melky preaching from Romans 3. After lunch with the congregation we travelled to another mission post where we had our second worship service with a family that Ev. Melky has been visiting regularly.

We said our goodbyes and travelled on to Lai Hobu where we met with Ev. Yan and his family. We were asked if we would like to visit the local waterfall for a wash, which after a long, hot motorbike ride sounded like a great idea. We were told it wasn't far which should be translated as "you should bring your hiking shoes and a large bottle of water". As you can see in the photo on the right, the long trek and climb down a near vertical slope was absolutely worth it!

After staying the night with Ev Yan and his family we made our way back to the coast and the Church of LumbuWinu.

We have been supporting the church of LumbuWinu with a mission post at Lainggada for



Our accommodation in Watubara



Worship service in Watubara

Waterfall near LaiHobu





*Completed Manse at Laingada*



*Lai Wungu Church 2014*



*Lai Wungu Church under construction 2019*

just over a year. This mission post is situated about 65km away in the mountains but is about 2/12 hours ride away due to the condition of the roads. Together with the minister of LumbuWinu (Rev ETTY and his wife) we travelled to this mission post.

The manse at this mission post is now complete which provides a place for the evangelist to stay as well as a large open porch area where worship services can be conducted. A simple structure like this is invaluable for the spreading of the gospel as a lot of the local people are reluctant to come to a worship service held at another villager's home because they feel they are imposing on them. A manse like this provides a "neutral" venue till a Church building can be built and removes one of the cultural barriers for locals hearing the Word.

Evangelist Novianus serves this mission post and the people in this village appreciate the visits Ev Novianus makes in order to become known to them and a number of the village families are now attending the worship services and receiving extra bible instruction in a home-visit bible study setting.

Our trip back to Patawang ran into the night which for someone with rusty motorbike riding skills like myself was a little bit hair raising. Animals wandering around on the roads is quite common during the day but it's a little disconcerting when they appear in your headlights wandering in the cool of the night. Thankfully throughout our whole trip the Lord granted His travelling mercies and we were able to arrive safely at our destination.

We next visited the post of LaiWungu supported via the Church of Kataka which I had been to previously. The last time I visited to get there involved a hard trek through the forest and down the mountain for around 2hrs each way. Thankfully since

then a limestone road – albeit a very steep, winding one – has been installed which stops within 500m of the village. I was able to see the new Church building that was being built. Although it looks like a simple structure it is a lot sturdier than what was there in 2014.

The remainder of our trip was taken up with meeting the Consistory of Kataka, as well as visiting their mission posts of Maubokul and Laindeha. Maubokul has a Church building under construction in an established village. Laindeha is a village that has been established by the government as part of a transmigration program which offers farmable land and housing for poorer citizens who are willing to move. There are encouraging signs in these places that the Lord is opening the hearts of people to the preaching of the gospel.

We left Sumba on Friday morning and after a short stay in Bali arrived home in the early hours of Saturday morning. I was very thankful to be able to visit the places I had been to previously (and more than a few new ones) and see the fruits of the mission workers labour. My prayer is that the work will continue and that more of the Sumbanese people will hear the gospel and come to faith in Christ Jesus.

Quentin Slobe

## North East PNG

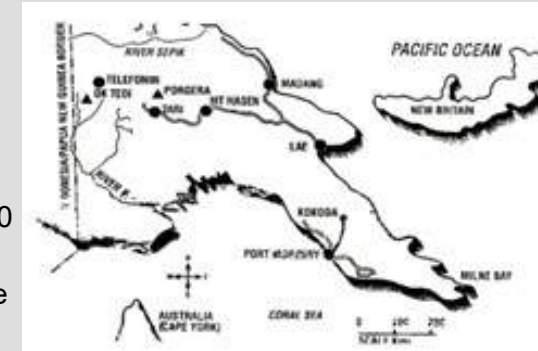
### Mission Aid

## THE PAST AND A NEW BEGINNING

Most of our older members will remember that a Mission Aid Committee was established in the early 1970's as a branch of Mezos Holland. In 1980 it became independent from Holland and became Mission Aid Metro. The aim of the association was to provide financial aid, such as medical or educational type needs, to missions established by the Free Reformed Church of Armadale (the only metro church at that time) or by any sister churches in Australia or abroad. Over the years many churches were instituted in the federation of the Free Reformed Churches of Australia and the mission aid committee became involved in several mission committees, boards and churches, including mission work in North Eastern PNG.

The Mission Aid Committee understandably felt that it was unable to properly serve various projects on various mission fields and decided to wind up effective on 30 June 2018.

Subsequently the Mission Aid Committee (Armadale) was established early the following year to support the Mission activities conducted by the Free Reformed Church of Ar-



madale (sending Church) and Cooperating and Supporting Churches for Mission Work in North Eastern Papua New Guinea.

Mission Aid had, for some time already, been collecting regular donations from about 45 church families who faithfully supported the Living Waters Christian School in Lae. The parents of this Church run school do pay fees but these were not sufficient to pay the teachers, thus the call went out to our churches to support them. The school has grown from its initial small beginning to have an enrolment of 145 students in 2019. For years the classes were held in the manse and church building yet with the continued growth these "classrooms" were not conducive to good learning as there was only a visual divider between the groups and therefore students could hear each other's activities.



As some donators have had to withdraw new donators “Weekly/Monthly/ Yearly or Once off” are most welcome. Please use the Mission Aid details below with your name and LWCS

Thus early in 2019 the Living Waters Christian School Board provided a detailed proposal to build three classrooms consisting of steel frames and locally sourced bush materials. The design and structure allowed for the complete structure to be dismantled and relocated as required in the future.

While the bush materials, timber and roof thatching, would be sourced and fundraised locally through the church community, the steel/hardware for the structural frames was beyond their means and Mission Aid was asked to help.

An information card was provided to the co-operating/ supporting church members/ businesses for donations. Our faithful Father blessed this endeavour and in a short space of time the \$19000 needed was raised so the materials could be purchased and construction started. Special thanks to those who responded and supported the fund raising drive for the school building project and that through their support our brothers and sisters will have better



facilities with which to provide a Christian education for their children.

On receiving the favourable response the site was prepared ready for when the steel could be purchased. Local fundraising activities were also held to raise the money needed to purchase the timber and roof thatching.

Initially 2 classrooms were built and completed.

An existing drain separated room 3 from the other two.

A discussion ensued. Was this drain going to be diverted around the room or piped underneath? It was decided to make a culvert under the room so that, if there was a big downpour of rain the water could rush straight along, rather than be diverted. The culvert was made higher so as to increase the size resulting in the floor height in room 3 being higher than the other 2.

At present the basic construction and drain are completed. It was further decided to build divider walls between the classrooms rather than free standing dividers which together with the end walls would form better functioning classrooms.

The end is in sight and hopefully the school will soon be able to take possession

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## PHILIPPINES: A VISITORS PERSPECTIVE

In late November last year, Rev. S 't Hart, Lucinda de Vos and myself, had the privilege of visiting the churches of our Lord Jesus in the Philippines. What is so great about going and visiting churches in areas that we are not familiar with is that it broadens our horizons, it gives us a taste of the vision that John had in Revelation 7:

“After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages. Standing before the throne and before the lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, and crying out with a loud voice, “Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne and the Lamb.” (Rev 7:9-10)

John sees a great multitude of diverse people, all dressed in white robes, that were made white in the blood of the lamb (7:14) and this lamb is the one who is gathering and defending his church, working in this world to one day bring this vision into a great reality. What we witnessed in the Philippines is our Lord gathering a people together for himself, nurturing them and defending them, a people that are our brothers and sisters, and so this brief report will reflect upon the work that is being done amongst our Filipino brothers and sisters.



*Butuan Reformed Church: Members of the Butuan Reformed church, with visitors from Grace Reformed for the Ordination service*

Over our time in the Philippines we enjoyed many conversations with the church members, especially hearing about how they came to the reformed faith. There was a common theme which ran through most of the discussions, most initially were either from a “Catholic” or “Pentecostal” background and were exposed to Reformed teaching through the internet, specifically on Facebook. What struck each person, was that the reformed teaching was the clear teaching of what God actually says in his word, and how it just made sense!

We first visited the Church in CDO (Cagayan De Oro) called “Grace Reformed Church” they currently have 19 confessing members, plus their families. As a Church they rent a small

space in a building, which they maximise to a full potential. The main room where they gather for their Sunday services, can be divided into two rooms, one side is a reading room throughout the week, and the other side is used for teaching and rented out for conferences and meetings (which help them financially). The reading room is well equipped with good reformed literature, and is utilised for a variety of reasons, such as private study, study groups, or quiet reading space. The desire of the church is to see it used as an evangelistic tool, to encourage the locals to read good material that explains what the Bible teaches. Seeing this caused us to think about how we use our buildings, and this should cause us all to



*Elder Ernnel Tacandong teaching a new members class in the reading room.*



*Meeting the Office Bearers of Grace Reformed Church*



*Having Dinner and fellowship with Br. Ernnel Tacandong and his family*



*Ordination: (From R to L) Rev. S 't Hart Ordaining Brs. Jan Rey Flores and Jim Ouano as Elders, and Brs. Ednon Aparicio and Samboo Baloria as Deacons.*

reflect: can we do more with the buildings God has gifted to us?

During the week they run a number of classes which we also attended, a membership class for people who were looking to become members of Grace Reformed Church and also a regular instructional class, going through the three forms of unity. There was a clear hunger for God's Word evident in these classes, they were well attended, and the people were very interactive as they clearly wrestled with what the word of God says and how to apply it to their lives.

We got a good taste of not only the church life, but also of home life for a Filipino, sleeping overnight in their homes, where we also received a very non-Australian experience of an earthquake! I spent a night with a middle-aged couple who were attending the membership classes, during our time together we spent a lot of time talking about family devotions, and the male's role in leading the family and how a Christian can live out their life in the various contexts God has placed us, and how that can look different for each person.

After this we left and travelled by car for 5 hours to Butuan, where we spent the remainder of our time. Here we witnessed the ordination of Office Bearers in Butuan Reformed Church, where two elders and two deacons were ordained. They spoke openly about the joy it

brought to have office bearers in the church, although they acknowledged this is a great responsibility, they now could have spiritual oversight, and a level of authority to watch over the congregation they are in.

Some of the members of Butuan Reformed Church took us on a tour around Butuan city, seeing a few of the different sights. What became obvious throughout tour, was the influence Catholicism has had on the country. One of the places we visited was where it all started, where Magellan the Portuguese explorer in the service of the Spanish crown instructed the first Roman Catholic Mass to be held on Filipino soil, and for a large wooden cross to be erected on a hill overlooking the city. From this point on, the Spanish influence and subsequently the Roman Catholic influence increased and spread. While the original cross Magellan had erected is long gone, the effects of Roman Catholic influence are certainly not, as over 80% of the population identifies as catholic. This is most notable when some of the members talked of their family members, who were Roman Catholic, how it has cause division and grief amongst families, when some members of a family turn to becoming Christian in the reformed faith.

Just like in CDO, the Church in Butuan holds regular classes, where they also studied through the three forms of unity, bible

studies, and book studies. Their regular members attended all these different classes and they were also joined by a number of people who were expressing interest in the reformed faith. And again, just like in CDO there was evidently a great hunger for understanding God's word, for searching the confessions and knowing their biblical basis. It is truly humbling to see our brothers and sisters with such a hunger to study God's word, they long to know God and how he is working to save people, and at this point I would like us all to reflect, as we did when we witnessed this, do we hunger and thirst to know God through his word? are we diligent in not just reading the bible but meditating upon it? Do we truly study and understand our confessions?

As a final note, please join me in remembering the Philippines in your prayers, that the Spirit of God will work mightily there, and many may come to a saving faith in Jesus Christ Pray too for the churches we have regular contact with:

for Grace Reformed Church:

- Praise for the increase in members
- For the continual growth of the church, in maturity, and in number
- For Rev. Alkema's visit as they plan to teach in a number of new areas.

Pray for Butuan Reformed Church:

- For the Bible study with people who are not church members may be bearing fruit
- That the Lord will continue his gathering work in Butuan
- The Church leaders have a high work load, and are spread over a large geographical area, pray that they will have the strength to complete the task in front of them faithfully.

It has been the request of both churches that we pray that the bond between these two churches will strengthen, and that they can have contact with other reformed churches in the Philippines.

To close, I want to look back at where I started with Johns vision: a multitude of people around the throne of God, and before the lamb, worshipping. Wont it be great when we get to witness this in real time? Not only will we be there with our brothers and sisters from the Philippines, but we will be before our God, because of what his son has done and is doing to bring us together and keeping us safe, Praise be to God!

Damon Bosveld

PHILIPPINES FEBRUARY NEWS

To witness the gathering, defending and preserving of Christ's Church firsthand is a tremendous privilege, and one I am grateful to have witnessed in the Philippines. Going back to the same place over a number of years has enabled me to observe how the Lord has blessed his people there. During my visit to Cagayan de Oro in April 2017, although there was some hope for the future, there was also a sense of discouragement in the Grace Reformed Church. At that time the church was worshipping in a house on the outskirts of the city, had lost some members, and were unsure as to how they could move forward in a positive direction. Fast forward to today, and, by the grace of God, things are very different. Although the church is still relatively small, there has been considerable growth in attendance and membership, there is a vibrant coming together to hear the Word preached as well as for Bible study and instruction, and the riches of the Reformed faith is being shared with many in Cagayan de Oro and beyond. Weekly church activities include: two Sunday services, adult & child Sunday school, a membership class, Friday book studies, and further teaching to the children on Saturdays. Seminars that teach and promote Reformed theology are also held on a regular basis,



*Rev. S't Hart teaching in the conference room, about Gospel centrality in the church.*

and the "TableTalk Lounge", a place for people to come and be introduced to the Reformed faith, is going well. There is also ongoing growth among the leaders there. In many ways the Grace Reformed Church can be characterised as being small in numbers but richly blessed in gospel growth and spiritual maturity. Indeed, although we visit to assist and encourage the brethren there, we in turn are encouraged greatly.

**Butuan Reformed Church.**

In addition to the congregation of Cagayan de Oro, we also have an ongoing partnership with the fledgling Reformed church in Butuan, another city in the southern island of

Mindanao. The Butuan congregation consists of a number of people who came to the Reformed faith while in university at Marawi, as well as a few others who have since joined them. This is a very small church community, but here too, the church leaders have demonstrated themselves to be godly and competent men. Hence, when they proposed to have elders and deacons installed, it was concluded that this would be appropriate, and so in November 2019, two elders and two deacons were ordained. What a day of joy and feasting this was! On this occasion, letters of Congratulations were read out from the Grace Reformed

Church of Cagayan de Oro, as well as the First Evangelical Reformed Church of Singapore, and also the Free Reformed Church of Baldivis. The Butuan church community feel their smallness and sense of isolation quite acutely, and so this support from others is deeply appreciated.

The Butuan congregation moved to a new (rented) premises last year, and this is going well. There are a few new people joining them for worship, and there has also been increase in ministry work taking place each week. When we visited last November, in addition to two church services being held each Sunday, there was a book study happening on Tuesday evenings, lessons on the Canons of Dort on Wednesdays, Catechism teaching on Thursdays, and a ladies' book study on Saturdays. In addition to this, Rev. Vermeulen (from Darling Downs) has also given some leadership training over Skype on a semi-regular basis. It is a challenge for the congregation to keep this all up, especially since they all have many other commitments and some live very far away, but there is an eagerness to learn and to grow. Praise the Lord for that!

**Theological instruction.**

From the very first time we visited the Philippines, it was noted that one of the great challenges moving forward is the provision of theological instruction for those

who feel called to prepare for the ministry of the gospel. Although we have many good contacts with various Reformed churches throughout the Philippines, a good Reformed seminary is clearly lacking. It is our prayer that a seminary can be established sooner rather than later. With God's blessing such a goal is feasible if we were to partner with other biblically Reformed churches in the Philippines. There is a small but growing number of Filipino pastors who have been

**“There is an eagerness to learn and to grow. Praise the Lord for that!”**

well trained in the United States, especially at Westminster Theological Seminary and the Mid America Reformed Seminary (both used by the URCNA). It is hoped that these or other men might be instrumental in establishing a seminary in due time. But we're not there yet, and we can see various hurdles to overcome before a seminary could be established. The question

we are faced with is, what to do in the interim?

One possibility is to sponsor students to study overseas and there is, in fact, a brother from the Philippines who is currently studying in Hamilton, Canada. The other possibilities include online distance education or establishing small groups of students throughout the Philippines. With respect to the latter option, there are a few people in Manila who are taking courses through MINTS, ([www.mints.edu](https://www.mints.edu)) a Reformed seminary that seeks to establish study centres throughout the world to provide courses to people wherever they may live. Elsewhere in the Philippines, the Heidelberg Theological Seminary (<https://heidelbergseminary.org/>), which is a small American seminary affiliated with the RCUS, has been providing courses. The FRC Baldivis is currently supporting two students to take courses through the Heidelberg Seminary. Our reasons for supporting this work include a desire to grow closer to other Reformed churches in the Philippines (the Pearl of the Orient Covenant Reformed Churches), and to support their theological training program. We're pleased with what we see as far as faithfulness to Scripture and our Reformed confessions is concerned, but there are some logistical challenges that we're encountering. The provision of theological training in the

Philippines is a difficult challenge, but we pray that on-going progress will be made.

**Where to from here?**

Our relationship with the Philippines has been going on for over eight years. Most of our energies have been focused on the island of Mindanao, particularly around Cagayan de Oro, Marawi and Butuan. However, we've also established good contacts with other Reformed churches in the Philippines, particularly the Pearl of the Orient Covenant Reformed Churches and two Covenant Reformed Churches in Manila (Pasig & Imus). We have contact with other churches also, as well as individuals scattered throughout the Philippines. The more we get involved, the more we see God at work in the Philippines - and the more we see new opportunities for ministry. We've been reflecting on this, looking both at what we've done up until now, and also looking into how we might partner with our Reformed brothers and sisters in the future. Here are some of our thoughts:

- The churches in Cagayan de Oro and Butuan are still very small and would have less than 100 members between the two of them. Both congregations have made it clear that they value our partnership

with them and are eager to have this continue.

- We remain passionate about church unity and are eager to promote biblical unity among the various Reformed churches in the Philippines. We're very thankful for good relationship between the church communities in Cagayan de Oro and Butuan. We're eager to support these churches in uniting with other biblically faithful Reformed churches where that might be possible.
- There is great need, and also great opportunity, for the Reformed faith to be spread further in the Philippines and, with the Lord's blessing, more churches to be established. We see opportunities for this both on the island of Mindanao (where we've focused up until now) and in the Visayan (central) region of the Philippines.
- In both our visits to the Philippines and our meetings back in Australia, the need for theological education is never far from our minds. We pray for and long for a good answer to this clear need.

- Although our gospel partnership with churches in the Philippines has been blessed, we see so much opportunity to do so much more! If that was to happen, however, the FRC Baldivis would need to find other churches to partner with and share the burden. On the one level that's already happening, with members of their committee coming from Kelmscott, Darling Downs and Melville, in addition to Baldivis. We're also looking forward to Rev. H. Alkema visiting the Philippines on our behalf in March 2020, DV. Further, we work closely with the Providence Canadian Reformed Church of Hamilton, who sponsor teaching & speaking tours in the Philippines. But sometimes it feels as though we're barely dipping our toe into what we could be doing! We expect to continue as we are for the present time, but as new doors open, we are eager to keep our eyes open to new opportunities for gospel ministry.

May God bless His church gathering work in the Philippines!

Rev. Stephen 't Hart

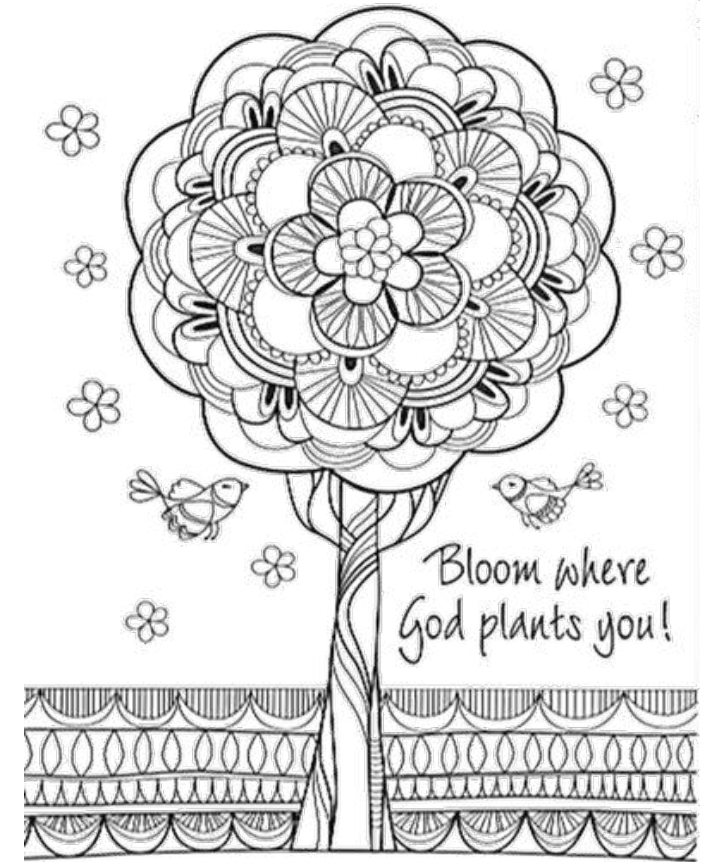
**CHILDREN'S PAGE**

Hello there!

We all have been given the command to be disciples, and to spread the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore the great commission, as Matthew 28:18-20 is often referred to, also applies to children. Can you find the words of the text in the Wordsearch above?

And no matter where we are, God instructs us to grow in knowledge of Him. And we can share that knowledge with others who don't know anything about God.

Perhaps you don't know much about what happens on the mission field. Have you thought of exchanging letters with the missionary children? Maybe this is something you can do this year, sharing your life with the children on the mission field. I'm sure they would love to hear from you.



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