



Flooded Rivers &amp; Enjoying the Beauty of Fall in Pittsburgh

**Isaiah 9:6** - "For unto us a child is born... the government shall be upon his shoulder..."

## WHAT'S NEW...

❖ **Heading Back:** We have been at the constant mercy of God's Sovereignty and the plans of national governments. Because of the variant and holiday season things look like they are being pushed back until March-April. Keep Praying!

❖ If you would like for us to share at your church, **please contact us!** We would love to share about what God is doing in the lives of the Tiale people in Vanuatu.

❖ We have various projects if you are interested and would like to partner with our ministry; please email us.

❖ **Praise God:** Another year of the Bible School finished!

❖ **Praise God:** We love hearing how both teachers and students grew in their faith!

❖ **Praise God:** He has graciously added a few new members to our support team!

## PRAYER REQUESTS:

- **Pray:** For the Tiale People; to continue to grow spiritually in our absence.
- **Pray:** To find new ministry partners and be closer to 100% support (currently at about 92%).
- **Pray:** That as we get closer to departing; 1) that we can get Nicole's medication and 2) the flights and transitions are manageable. 3) paperwork for entry goes smoothly.

### When it Rains...

We wish everyone a very Merry Christmas, although this is a time for us North Americans to typically think of cold weather, hot chocolate, redundant jingles of your favourite Christmas playlist, time with family, and thinking about the greatest Gift God gave to us in the Incarnation of Jesus. However, this time of year is typically the hottest season in Vanuatu. This week the flooding has already begun, with the rivers being impassible, temperatures in the low 100's, humidity nearing 100%... it truly is the mark of the rainy season. We were able to contact a few of the pastors we are training this past week, hear about their struggles, and encourage them in how they can lead their sheep... even given some pointers on what to teach during this season. They keep asking "*when are we coming back?... we miss you guys... we want to learn more...*" and so much more, we eagerly await to get back and minister to the people God has so graciously allowed us to serve.

### ...it Pours...

This past week, as we were in communication with government officials from Vanuatu, we keep hearing "promising" results of "soon" and being put on the "list" for people to be allowed into the country during this tumultuous time. While seeing God's Sovereignty in His delay, this past week Seth suffered a major setback and completely tore his patellar tendon in his left knee. He will have surgery on it **this** Wednesday (22nd), and should be allowed to weight-bear with the assistance of a brace the same day as the surgery. *As of now*, it looks like he will have a 100% recovery by the time the country reopens. God knows all things, there is nothing that catches Him by surprise, so these peripheral issues should not cause us to worry. Thank you for praying for us in this part of our journey and please pray that he can have quick and full recovery.

### About 50k in a year.. roughly 15 states... 50 or so churches...

This past year we travelled a good bit, spoke at all of our supporting churches, spoke at some new ones, totalling to be about 50 churches altogether, nearing a 100+ speaking engagements. We are hoping to use this next season for Seth to recover physically, while also actually having time to **prepare** lessons for this upcoming Bible School season. The students are eager, and the teachers said they also will attend so that they too can learn more about our Lord and God. Please continue to pray for us both physically (Seth), spiritually (us and the Tiale people), and as well as those whom God is having to partner with us (financially). We thank you and **covet** your prayers. Merry CHRISTMAS!

