



World Missions Ministry

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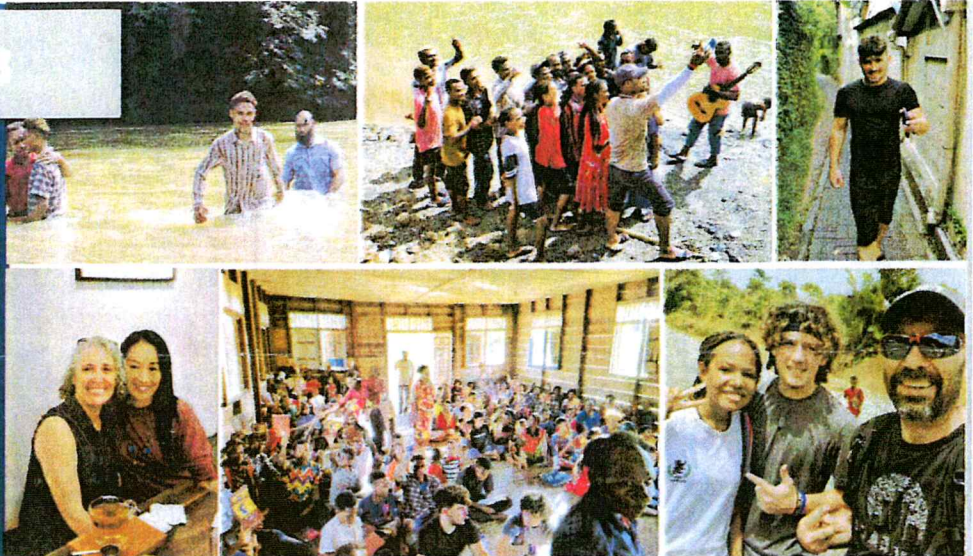
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The entire year of 2023 has been an amazing year (not without it's difficulties but definitely amazing) , and it concluded on the highest note possible!

While I have been back to Indonesia several times since we left, Kelli and the boys had not.

Since this is Uriah's senior year, we were hoping and praying to take the whole family back for a short visit over their Christmas break. We were unsure if that would be possible until New Home BC in Wetumpka, AL called with the news that the church had voted to send an incredibly generous offering for that specific purpose!

So as soon as the boys got out of school, we began the 42 hour journey to Papua. After a night in Sentani, we began a long and treacherous drive on the new "road" into the Yetfa area.

We only had a few days in Bias, but what we saw and experienced filled our hearts with joy of memories from years past and excitement for the present and hope for the future.

The church in Bias is thriving in unprecedented ways. The building was completely full. A large youth group was fully engaged in leading worship, singing specials, and doing dramas. Sion and Jeri were both preaching solid messages and leading worship services that were meaningful. The church was singing newly composed worship songs in Yetfa, and they baptized 16 new believers (all in their teens or twenties) while we were there!

Kelli and I were able to deliver and read for the church the newly printed Book of Ruth in Yetfa and enjoyed sweet fellowship with our Yetfa family. Then we headed back to town where we spent time with Matthew and Sarah Thompson and their newborn, Azariah. The boys spent time with their childhood friends, while we caught up with lots of our missionary friends around town. We visited as many of favorite places and people as possible before returning to the states.

The 2024 calendar is already full with lots of incredible opportunities for ministry, but I am so grateful for such a great ending to a good year!

Thank you for your partnership in the gospel!