



# The Hirtzels

# Missionaries to the people of Vanuatu

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“To open their eyes,  
and to turn them from  
darkness to light, and  
from the power of  
Satan unto God, that  
they may receive  
forgiveness of sins...”  
Acts 26:18



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## On The Field

*Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new. – 2 Corinthians 5:17*

God has continued to bless through these first two months of 2023. In the midst of challenges His strength and promises shine ever so much brighter. Thank you for your faithfulness in prayers and in support for us and the ministries in Vanuatu. Together we can truly reach Vanuatu for Christ!

In this new year, pray for the many missions trips and outreaches that will be going into the many islands of our nation. Pray for those who have felt the stirrings of God’s Spirit to go and to preach! Continue to pray for God’s will in the island of Tanna with those who have received Christ and have a desire to grow and reach out to family and village.



*Continue to pray for the believers in Tanna*

Two of our men, Ronald and Edwin, had the opportunity to preach and teach in Vanua Lava to the northern extreme of Vanuatu. There was some definite opposition, but God’s Word went out. One man present for the outreach passed away just weeks after. Pray for fruit in the lives of those who heard!

Much has happened, but there is much yet to be done. Thank you for your partnership with us in this ministry. Together we can see those in need of a Savior saved.

Your Missionaries to Vanuatu,

Jim and Ari Hirtzel

## On Our Heart

*Praise/Prayer* – Ari’s surgical procedure was much smaller than initially thought and all biopsies have come back clean. Thank you for your prayers! Pray with us as we finish with the last of the appointments and physiotherapy. We are ready to be back home in Vanuatu!

*Praise/Prayer* – Continue to pray for the Spores and the work in Vanuatu. Pray also for our newest teacher, Yvonne, as she teaches math and science!



*Prayer* – Tropical Cyclone Gabrielle is currently passing over New Zealand as we, the Lord willing, are finishing up the last of our medical needs. We are dry and safe, but please pray for those affected by flooding during this time.

*Praise/Prayer* – Through a year of extreme weather, covid restrictions, and limited flights God has continued to work in the lives of His people and those in need of a Savior. In 2022 we saw 10 solid professions of faith, Bro. Morsen baptized, and a new family added to the church. The Bible Institute also saw growth with 3 new students and one returning. God has truly been good.

*Prayer* – Pray for the flight situation in Vanuatu. Currently talks of closing the national airline for the year continue and no solid plan for international or domestic flights has been released. We are unsure the route or availability of flights for our return. Pray that God would open this door as it is needed.

*Continue in prayer, and watch in the same with thanksgiving; Withal praying also for us, that God would open unto us a door of utterance, to speak the mystery of Christ... Colossians 4:2-3*

Thank you for your prayers and support. Together we can reach Vanuatu for Christ!