



# 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

*For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.*  
— 2 Corinthians 4:6

What an amazing few months these have been. The light of His glory has shown in both trials and blessings. The last months have seen two come to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ and seven follow in believers' baptism. Thank you for your faithful prayers and support of the works here in Vanuatu, they truly do make a difference!

We had a very successful mission trip to the village of Malfakau on the island of Malekula. Not only was the team able to preach and teach in the church and Pastor Nekelsen's ground, but we were able to preach in the main village as well. This is the first time access to the main village to preach or teach has been allowed. Pray for those challenged by the pure teaching of the Word of God. Many recognized the difference in God's Word and the religious tradition that so many are in bondage to. During this trip three of our men preached and two ladies were able to minister to the women of the church. What a blessing to see men and women called through the church and Bible college fully equipped for service!



Please continue to pray for the works here. Pray for those new believers in Malfakau. Pray for more souls to see the light shine in their hearts. Pray for the upcoming mission trips and outreaches through our islands and Port Vila. You are an essential part of this ministry and a great blessing to us!

Your Missionaries to Vanuatu,

Jim and Ari Hirtzel

## On Our Heart

*Praise/Prayer* – Continue to pray for Steve and Lynn Spore as Lynn has been diagnosed with a very treatable form of cancer. The ensuing surgery has been very successful, and she is recovering well in the hospital in New Zealand. Pray for a full recovery and clean bill of health!

*Praise/Prayer* – 2 saved and 6 baptized in Malfakau village during the mission trip! Pray for fruit and courage to stand firm in God's Word.

*Prayer* – The next mission trip will be to the island of Tanna to reach out to a new area with the light of the Gospel.

*Praise* – While the door is still closed to the prisons after the earthquake, another door in family and community visitations and outreach has opened. Pray that we would see souls reached with the truth of God's Word and added unto the church.

*Praise* – Repairs on our house walls and floors have finally begun. There is a lot to do, but slowly we are recovering from earthquake damage.

*Prayer* – Pray for the need for local teachers in the school and helpers out of the church.

*Prayer* – Pray for a young man/couple to surrender to come to Bible college from Malfakau. Pastor Nekelsen will need help in the years to come and eventually a pastor to follow after him.

*Praise* – We have a large number of people going through our basic discipleship course, advanced discipleship and doctrine, and Bible college classes. Pray for more laborers, teachers, and preachers!

*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!