



# 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

*As every man hath received the gift, even so minister the same one to another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God. - 1 Peter 4:10*

These last months have been very full months. We have seen great blessings and growth along with some great trials. I am reminded that in God’s Word the two often go hand in hand. Thank you for your faithfulness! Your prayers and good stewardship of the Gospel and grace of God continue to make all the difference here in Vanuatu.



Grace Baptist School Awards

We have finished term two for both our school and Bible College and are now in the midst of term three. Continue to pray for the students on both ends of the spectrum. Those who are just learning who they are and who their God is in the primary and those who have surrendered to God’s will and are preparing for that service in Bible College. From the youngest to the oldest; this is the future of the ministry here in Vanuatu!

We have received reports from pastor Nekelsen in Malakula of trials and persecution for the stand he has made. Please lift up both his family and the church in Malvakau in prayers. Gardens are being dug up and crops destroyed. This is his livelihood and food. Through this he continues to preach God’s Word and meet throughout the week for prayers and study with the members of the church. Pray for a mighty testimony of the manifold grace of God in this work!

We praise God for your prayers and support of the work here in Vanuatu. This work would not be possible without your faithfulness.

Your Missionaries to Vanuatu,

Jim and Ari Hirtzel

## On Our Heart

**Prayer** – Pray for Ari and the girls as they wait for Terra’s New Zealand immigration approval. Additional paperwork has been requested and submitted. Please pray that this will be the last needed and the approval will come through very quickly!

**Praise/Prayer** – The church in Malvakau continues to grow in the midst of persecution. Pray for a powerful witness in the village of God’s grace in the lives of Pastor Nekelson and the church.

**Prayer** – Pray for wisdom and understanding for our Bible College students. Pray that nothing will hinder them from the great work God has in store for them! Also pray for more men and women to surrender to full time service. We need more faithful men and women who “shall be able to teach others also.”

## Kids Corner

**Terra** - So much has happened in the past few months, I hardly know where to start! For those of you who’ve been praying for my SAT scores, I did excellently, much better than I expected, so praise the Lord for that, it’s amazing to have the reminder that He’s always in control, amen?

My immigration process has taken me on quite the journey, a lot sooner than I’d intended, but the ways things have worked out, I’m here in NZ to stay! With mum here to help us get set up, Rashelle and I have moved into our own apartment together and I’ve even had the opportunity to help out where I can in my new home church’s junior church ministry as well as volunteering at both a rest home and a children’s program at a nearby hospital.

Doors have been opening all around me; from school to immigrations and everything in between, God’s hand has been clear and I can’t begin to describe how blessed I am to have Him and all the people He’s brought into my life here to help and support me.

No longer being in Vanuatu this will be my last kids corner for a while, though I will most likely pop back in from time to time when I visit home. Honestly, I don’t think I would have been able to get as far as I’ve gotten without all of your prayers for me and I count myself blessed to have grown up with the prayers of so many of you backing me. Growing up on the mission field has been an amazing journey... now to see what else God has in store for me!

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