



# 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

*That by two immutable things, in which it was impossible for God to lie, we might have a strong consolation, who have fled for refuge to lay hold upon the hope set before us: Which hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and stedfast... Hebrews 6:18-19*

Things have certainly taken an unseen turn early into 2020. But we know that through this God is still and always will be our strong consolation, our refuge, hope and anchor. Thank you for your faithfulness through this time. There is still much work to be done and your prayers and support make it possible to minister even now!

Vanuatu has declared a State of National Emergency and faces many of the same restrictions seen around the world. Businesses, schools, churches, and all gatherings are closed for the foreseeable time. Many are facing loss of income due to this, but there is no welfare system or government assistance to help them through this time. All international and domestic travel between islands is banned. This will be a time of severe hardship for our families in Vanuatu. Please pray for them through this.



Teachers passing out home school packets.

Pray that as COVID-19 undermines the many things that people have come to depend on that we would see souls flee for refuge and lay hold upon hope that is in Christ alone! Thank you for your continued support and prayers in this time!

Your Missionaries to Vanuatu,

Jim and Ari Hirtzel

## On Our Heart

**Furlough 2020** – Furlough through a Pandemic... Our meetings are being cancelled due to lockdowns. Scheduling is nearly impossible at the moment. Please pray with us and for through this time. Our heart cries to be either reporting to churches or back home in Vanuatu and neither are options. Know also that we are praying for each and every one of our supporting churches and pastors!



**Praise/Prayer** – The youth for 2020 started off with a great bang prior to the lockdown. Even though things are under lockdown for the time being we are looking forward to what God will do in the lives of these young men and women. Continue to lift Hosea and Georgina in prayer as they prepare these future leaders for God’s will in their lives!

**Prayer** – Pray for our teens and young adults that are away in other nations at university through this time. We are doing all that we can to ensure they can find a local church to connect with and find support in the areas they are in.

**Praise/Prayer** – Continue to pray for those who have surrendered to train as teachers in the school. Also be praying for secondary teachers to surrender so that the school will be able to continue growing through to grade 10.

**Praise/Prayer** – Pastor Nekelsen in Malekula has recovered from his severe leg infections and we ask that you continue to pray for his health and a man to train to assist him in the ministry there.

*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!