



# 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 thou hast been a strength to the poor, a strength to the needy in his distress, a refuge from the storm, a shadow from the heat, when the blast of the terrible ones is as a storm against the wall.*  
– Isaiah 25:4

Over the last two months we have been very aware of the truth of God’s power in the time of storms. About 1 month ago cyclones Judy and Kevin hit Vanuatu. It is unprecedented to see two cat 4-5 cyclones hit the same area in succession like this. Thank you to all who have lifted up Vanuatu in prayer and have given to help with the recovery.



Through your faithfulness much has been done. Supplies for water lines in Malvakau for Pastor Nekelsen have been purchased. The church has had great opportunity to share over one metric ton of rice throughout our communities. Each portion of rice has allowed for the outreach of the gospel through our communities. In addition, the school was able to provide around 1,000 free lunches per week during the first three weeks of recovery.

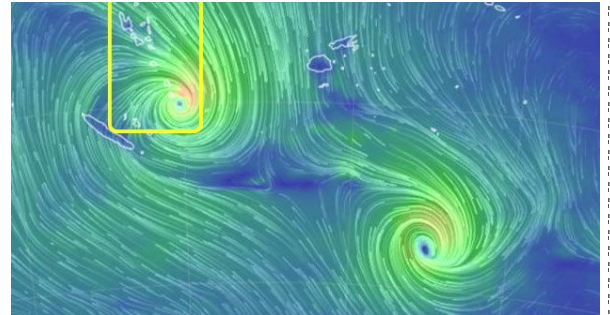
Most of the repairs on the church and school properties have been finished with only a few places awaiting supplies for the roof. Gardens are beginning to regrow, and leafy vegetables are becoming available in the markets again. We praise God for the love and care you have shown to His people here in Vanuatu. Please continue to pray as there are many still in need both physically and spiritually through this recovery.

Your Missionaries to Vanuatu,

Jim and Ari Hirtzel

## On Our Heart

*Praise/Prayer* – Cyclone Judy hit on Feb 28<sup>th</sup> and Mar 1<sup>st</sup> cyclone Kevin hit. Recovery and supply of needed food is still underway. Continue to pray for souls saved through this and wisdom in reaching those in need. We praise God that none of our church families were injured through either cyclone!



*Prayer/Humor?* – While it has brought a lot of joy to Ari and the school staff and students, catching fish off the back porch of the church is not the greatest for our property and building. Please pray for good weather so that our fishpond could once again be used as our front yard as intended!



*Praise/Prayer* – Ari’s surgical procedure has helped greatly, and she is doing much better since we have returned to Vanuatu. Thank you for your prayers.

*Praise/Prayer* – We are still planning a creation science outreach later in the year. Pray for preparations, especially with the recovery from the cyclones. We are praying that things will be stable enough to bring the books and gospel to those schools and communities we have not yet reached.

*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!