



# 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

*But even the very hairs of your head are all numbered. Fear not therefore: ye are of more value than many sparrows. – Luke 12:7*

These last months have shown clearly that God’s ways are certainly not our ways. His ways are truly as the heavens are higher than the earth. Thank you for your prayers for both us and the ministries here in Vanuatu. They are much needed and appreciated.

We are now back in Vanuatu after finding a return flight through Fiji. We ask that you continue in prayer for the flight situation after Air Vanuatu’s liquidation. So far nothing has been established to fill the much-needed gap in domestic and international flights. Travel between islands is even more challenging than normal. Pray for the ministries in both Tanna and Malekula as Ronald and Pastor Nekelsen are both here in Port Vila looking at alternative ways of travel as we move forward.



*The Joy of Awards Day at Grace Baptist School*

Bible Institute classes for this term will be finishing Pastoral Theology. Two of our students will have now completed their course and will be looking to God’s leading in the futures of their ministries. Keep both Hosea and Ronald in prayer as they continue in following God’s way in their lives. We also look to have at least two new students preparing to attend as we return to the foundational classes.

Thank you for your continued part in the many ministries here in Vanuatu. None of this would be possible without your labor in giving and prayers!

Your Missionaries to Vanuatu,

Jim and Ari Hirtzel

## On Our Heart

*Praise* – We praise God for the salvation of a young man in New Zealand and the small part God allowed us to have in showing him the love of his savior.

*Praise/Prayer* – Tolsey continues to heal from her amputation. Pray for her and Pastor Nekelsen as he will be returning to the church in Malfakau and she will be remaining here in Port Vila for ongoing care and recovery. We are praying that she will be able to have a prosthetic leg provided early next year.

*Praise* – All the tests and scans in New Zealand came back clean and clear. This is truly a blessing, but it does leave unanswered questions. We now know all the things it is not. Please continue to pray for a resolution as treatment continues.

*Prayer* – Please pray with us as Ari and I return for a very brief trip to the US to see my mother and report back to our home church. This will not be a furlough, but a medical check-in and visit.

*Prayer* – We have many in services who are in need of salvation. Several who have clearly declared so, but are allowing the fear of family and other pressures to keep them from making their decisions. Pray that they would hear God’s Word above all others.

*Prayer* – We still need a new teacher trainee and/or assistant to surrender to this ministry. God has always provided from His people here and we pray and trust that He will do so again!

*Praise* – Thank you for praying for the young men saved in Erromango. We have seen them continue in discipleship with Steven and in church services here in Port Vila. What a blessing it is to see effectual fruit through God’s Word!

*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!