

The Jim Civale Family Prayer Letter

Your Missionaries
to Samoa

October 1, 2012



Dear Praying Friends,

What a super September! We spent the first Sunday in American Samoa visiting our first church plant (see picture above) and were blessed to fellowship with two beautiful growing families, Pastor Scot Daku's own family (it was the first time we met his adorable daughter) and the *Vai o le Ola Baptist Church* family. *Thank you, Lord, for old, faithful friends and dear, new friends!*

We spent our second Sunday on the island of Upolu in (Western) Samoa where I filled the pulpit at *Lighthouse Baptist Church* (see the picture at bottom of letter) for my good friend Pastor Peneueta Faafouina. Please be so kind as to pray for him, his wife Robyn, and their son Cameron. They will spend a few weeks in New Zealand and a few months in the U.S. to take care of important immigration matters that arose rather suddenly. Please also pray for us as we rotate two weeks in Asau and one week over there until they return in January.

On the third and fourth Sundays of September we were back in Asau and heard only great reports about the deacons' preaching during our absence. We were also thrilled to see the results the Bible and Tract Distribution month as our men went from house to house and passed out 2,756 Samoan New Testaments and over 3000 tracts to every home in the villages of Asau, Vaisala, and Auala. Only God knows how many seeds were planted and how many will take root. The most exciting event during our time back in Asau was seeing twenty-three year-old Faalilo (pictured above with Emi) come forward to receive Christ as Savior during the altar. She will be baptized in October. Please pray for Sopo and Melesala (pictured to the left with the New Testaments). Both men have surrendered to full-time ministry and are in training, Melesala trains with me every day and Sopo is leaving his job at the end of this year to start his full time training in the new year. Both have a heart for the lost and wish to be church-planters.

Our most immediate and pressing **PRAYER REQUESTS** are for...

1. Emi's preparation with the children and Melesala's with the youth for the October 14th *Lotu Tamaiti* (White Sunday or Children's Sunday).
2. Funding and resources for our December building project.
3. The error-free completion of our Samoan Bible.
4. The successful launching of Savaii's first and only radio station.
5. The effective training of Sopo and Melesala as church-planting missionaries to be sent out of Asau Baptist Church.



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