Bobby & Joanna Burdett

Missionaries to Madagascar



Jean-Marc

Dear Friends and Family,

Remember in our furlough report we mentioned five districts in our region which we would like to reach? One of those is Antsalova where we were able to do a mosquito net distribution as well as present the Gospel to over three hundred people! At the end of July, we loaded up 450 mosquito nets in our truck and trailer and drove seven hours south. For the next three days we met at the local health clinic and partnered with the community health workers to distribute the nets. Before distribution, we taught on malaria prevention and presented the Gospel. Jean-Marc, one of the guys who has been working and training with Bobby, went with us as Antsalova is his home town. The town knew him as the witch doctor's son. He had quite a captivated audience when he gave his testimony of how God has changed his life to those who had known him growing up We hope to return in September for another distribution. We could love to see a church plant in this town! **Pray that people will be saved and lives changed in Antsalova!**

Mr. Abolaza (a.k.a. 3-Pockets) still comes to church when he can. He is 73 years old and not in good health. Once he makes it to church, he is exhausted and has a hard time staying awake. When Bobby recently visited him in his home, he asked if we cast out demons. There is definitely a battle going on for this man's soul. Please pray that he will trust Christ before it is too late.

Faith's mom, for whom we asked prayer, has not returned, but her oldest daughter *Eliane* has. She is our neighbor and has been at every service and Bible study for a month now. I was able to visit her and share the Gospel with her. She said she understood, but was not ready to make a decision yet. A lady from our church has agreed to teach to her read. Please pray with us that as she learns to read, God will use His Word in power to change her life!

Recently, many in our church have had their faith tested with many trials. Family members have died in tragic ways (from drowning to murder by bandit), belongings have been stolen, and clients have not paid for work done leaving one family with no food. We all have to go through testing. It's a part of life and essential for our maturing in Christ. Most of these people are new Christians; their faith so fragile and vulnerable. As we pray with them, counsel them and encourage them, our heart's cry is that their faith fail not. Thank you for praying for them and for us!

Handing out mosquito nets and tracts

Other Prayer Requests:

- *Our co-worker Charity's surgery at the end of this month
- *Bobby's mechanic's license to be approved
- *Airplane inspection (due August 21st) and paperwork (due November) to go smoothly
- *Salvation of Mr. Abolaza, Eliane, Genvieve, Bako, Aurely
- *Four couples in our church who need to legalize their marriage
- *Our youth to be firm in faith and flee temptation during school vacation
- *Protection from bandits for our people who have farms in the countryside

At the Antsalova airstrip

Trusting Always in Him, Bobby and Joanna Burdett

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