

# "The Rostorfer Report"

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## LOOK WHAT THE LORD HAS DONE!

### **EVANGELISM EXPLOSION!**

That is the only way to describe what has been happening since we have returned to Madagascar. The National Church here has made renewed commitment to reaching the countless lost people of Madagascar. We believe the most effective way of reaching the lost is through the planting and establishing of new churches. As Jesus said, "I will build my church & the gates of hell will not prevail against it!"

As someone who has a burning desire to preach to those who have not heard the Gospel before, this has been a fruitful time. In the last six months since we have returned, we have had the opportunity to minister in **eight evangelistic crusades** around the Island. As a result of the eight evangelistic crusades, we have been a part of planting **four new churches**. What a joy to know that we are a small part of what God is doing here.

But this is also a result of your giving. Many of you have given to help us buy lands and buildings for new churches. Your giving in this area is helping us invest into these new churches to immediately establish a location for these new works. It is very exciting to see the Spiritual and the physical church being built simultaneously!

For those wanting to give towards our project (see website) of helping new churches buy a piece of land and build a church facility, here is the information you will need to include when sending in those special offerings:

Lands & Buildings for Madagascar  
Jay Rostorfer Account #2504900  
Project # 4104  
Class #60



### **BIBLE SCHOOL UPDATE!**

Another critical part of our partnership with the church in Madagascar is in the area of training and development. Since returning to Madagascar in January, I had the privilege of teaching two courses at our Bible School, as well as assisting at our Bible School extension center.

In June of this year, we saw **35 new graduates** of our Bible School launched into the ministry. These new graduates will be going out as apprentices for one year before receiving their ordination as new ministers. During this year of apprenticeships, these new Pastors will be helping to plant new churches, serve in evangelism teams & bring development to existing churches.

Pray with us as we begin even now to gear up for a new year at the Bible School. Pray with us that God will continue to call more young people into the ministry. Pray also that God will help us invest into these students the spiritual formation they need to be successful in their future ministries.

### **FIRE BIBLE LAUNCHED!**

On June 21st, we celebrated a very important moment in the life and future of the church in Madagascar. After over five years of work, the Fire Bible (also known as the Life in the Spirit Study Bible) was officially presented to the people of Madagascar.

As only one person of dozens of people who worked on this project, this was an exciting and profound moment to see this Bible placed into the hands of the Malagasy people. For those not familiar with this Bible, it is a complete study Bible developed by the Assemblies of God to train & equip all believers in the word of God. It has been called by some as a complete theological library in one Book.

For our Malagasy pastors and believers, this new Bible has the potential to revolutionize our local churches and ministries. For the first time, we can put an incredible tool into their hands that will vastly enhance their ability to reach and disciple the multitudes. Pray with us for this Bible to greatly impact thousands of lives.

← **Photo at Left:**  
Graduation day at our Pastoral Bible School in Antananarivo.

### **FAMILY NEWS!**

Carey & the girls are doing well and enjoying a much needed break from school. All of the girls did very well in their home school studies, and as always Carey did an incredible job teaching four different age groups at the same time.

The girls have also had the opportunity to get involved in Missionettes (girls clubs) since returning. One of our missionary colleagues has been having a girls club for our older girls & Carey has recently started another club for our younger girls right here in our home. Our girls love having the opportunity to build friendships with girls from all over the world who live here in Madagascar.

### **PRAYER REQUESTS**

- An ever-increasing harvest as we continue to preach in evangelistic meeting all across the island.
- Effective distribution of the Fire Bible to our believers.
- New financial partners: we are still in need of almost \$1000 in monthly support to help us meet our budget each month. See our website if interested in supporting us on a monthly basis.
- Many young people to respond to the call of God into ministry & to attend our Bible school in a few months.
- Continuing safety: Since returning, we have had one car accident and one break-in to our house. But in both situations, God has kept us safe and provided for us. So keep on praying, it works!



← **Photo at Left:**  
Jay presenting one of the new Fire Bibles to one of the graduates of our Bible School.

**Photo at right:** →  
One man among 300 saved during a three day evangelistic crusade.



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