

The Lord's Move in Papua New Guinea

Papua New Guinea (PNG) is located at the southern region of the Pacific Ocean and is connected to Indonesia. Its population is around seven million people with strong tribal cultures. Official languages include English, Tok Pisin, and Hiri Motu. More than a hundred years ago, Western missionaries came to evangelize and the local people were very open to and readily received the gospel. Today Papua New Guinea is a Christian country, the majority of its population being Christians.

In fact, you can hardly meet a non-Christian on the streets. A large percentage of population belongs to the Catholic Church. Many others attend the Seventh-Day Adventist Church, the Assemblies of God, the United Church, the Lutheran Church, the Baptist Church, the Anglican Church, etc.

At present we have around fifty saints, most of whom are overseas workers living in Port Moresby. The saints in Port Moresby have regular weekly prayer meetings, small group meetings and young people's meetings. On Lord's Day we also come together to enjoy the Holy Word for Morning Revival. But we have not begun to break bread.

Update on Propagation

In recent months, we have been practicing the God-ordained way by knocking on doors to contact people and by steadfastly visiting and shepherding the ones under our care. We realize that the Lord's move here is not merely outward activities but the spreading of Himself within us. Every contact with people must be the speaking and operation of the Triune God. We need to allow

the Triune God to spread in us that we may become channels of life to minister life to others.

Recently, we went to visit the family of a young person and came into contact with a believer who was very open. She willingly went with us to get baptized after we shared with her the truth regarding baptism. A few days later, she came to join our meeting on her own, and we found out she had to change buses

three times in order to get to the meeting place. Later on, this sister began to bring members of her family to the meetings. On the day this sister got baptized, another young person who had been meeting with us regularly was also baptized. May the Lord continue to gain more local people to be His testimony in Port Moresby.

We also made contact with some Christian groups, among which was one that addressed itself as the "local church." To date, we are still in touch with one of their leading brothers. This brother came across some of Brother Nee's books and led his group to practice what he read. Although some of their practices are similar to ours, they are not clear

concerning the ground of the church. This brother is open and willing to fellowship with us. In fact, his son, who is currently studying abroad, is stable in the church life in the recovery.

Children's work

After much fellowship and prayer, the brothers felt there is the need for children's work in order for the Lord to continue His move here. So beginning in November last year, we commenced the

children's work. First, we knocked on doors around our own neighborhood to invite children to the children's meeting. We also started the children's meeting in another neighborhood. The number of attendance kept increasing since then. Currently there are children's meetings in three different neighborhoods, the number of children ranging between 20 and 50 in each group. In one of the children's meetings, the number consistently exceeded 50, so we had to subdivide it into two groups. Many homes are open to us through our visitation of the children in their homes. Some parents would come with their children to the children's meeting, and we would grasp the



opportunity to contact them. May the Lord gain some stable homes among the local people for His testimony. In the matter of children's service, we strongly encourage the local young people to coordinate with us, and have been perfecting the local saints to join and serve. Through this kind of service, the saints not only learn to function in the Body, but also receive the burden from the Lord to build His church.

Testimony of a Local Couple

A local couple here went to New Zealand in 2007. The brother went for school and the sister accompanied him there. While there, they came into contact with the saints and were brought into the Lord's recovery. The sister then joined the full-time training in New Zealand from 2008 to 2010. When the brother completed his study, and the sister her training, they returned to Port Moresby. This couple did not join any Christian group. Instead, they met in their own home and prayed for the Lord's testimony in this land. The sister prayed continuously for six years for this matter. The Lord answered her prayer and there is now the church life here. Until today she is still praying for the lampstand to be established in Port Moresby. The brother also exercised to live a consecrated life in these years, coming before the Lord daily and being nourished in the word. Now that there is the enjoyment of the church life, he is even more desperate to redeem the time and grow in life for the building up of the church as the Body of Christ.

The Literature Work

We discovered a local bookstore that sells some of the books by Brother Nee, such as "The Normal Christian Life," "Sit, Walk, Stand," and "Love Not the World." The bookstore owner enthusiastically told us that he is very fond of reading Brother Nee's books. He even read some of Brother Lee's books and was



interested to know where he could buy them. Some people here have heard of Brother Nee and read some of his books, but most do not know of Brother Lee. When we shared with the gospel friends about the books by both brothers and the Recovery Version Bible, the response was always quite positive.

Prayer Items

1. Pray for the establishment of the golden lampstand in Port Moresby; pray that more local households will be gained and that they will see the vision of the Body of Christ and be the testimony of Jesus, that the lampstand may soon be established.
2. Pray that the Lord would gain more young people to join the meetings on Saturday and raise up more serving ones for the children's meetings.
3. Pray that the Lord will intensify the spread of the ministry that it may reach more local people; pray for more ministry books to be translated into the local languages for the gaining and feeding of the local people.

The Gulf Cooperation Council Region

In the region of the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC), the Lord indeed thrust out His people to bring peace and light to the Arab states. On the 2nd and 3rd of December 2016, the International Blending Conference was held in Dubai. Serving brothers from the Philippines, Mexico and Lebanon were invited to speak on the timely word of "Returning to the Orthodoxy of the Church." The conference was attended by a total of 266 saints, out of whom 230 were local saints from the United Arab Emirates (UAE), and 36 were visiting saints from Bahrain, KSA, Qatar, Sri Lanka, USA, Singapore and the Philippines. A week after the conference, a new local church in UAE was established in the city of Al Mirfa. The receptive attitude of UAE toward tourists paved the way for the Lord to flow in and supply all the saints in the GCC region.

On the 16th and 17th of December 2016, a local conference was held in Doha, Qatar. The serving brothers from the Philippines flew from Dubai to Doha to echo the ministry's up-to-date speaking about returning to the orthodoxy of the Church. The conference was attended by 40 local saints from Doha, and

3 visiting brothers from Philippines and Dubai. The saints were enlightened to see that to keep the principle and the reality of the church in Philadelphia, they need to turn and repent before the Lord. The Spirit has been intensified sevenfold; His eyes are searching and judging, and He is speaking to the churches. The Lord is calling His overcomers and strengthening them to overcome all kinds of degradation.

All the churches from other GCC countries hold their local conferences every quarter. By the Lord's preserving grace, the saints in GCC have faithfully carried on with their church life, attended the meetings, and kept a constant fellowship with other saints across the region. We trust that even in this land of wilderness, the Lord will raise up golden lampstands in city after city as a testimony to all the nations. The Lord has declared, "Know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted on earth." (Psalm 46:10) May golden lampstands be raised up one after another as a fulfillment of His word.