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THE TAVÉ FAMILY TO RÉUNION ISLAND

Finally, brethren, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may have free course, and be glorified, even as it is with you: 2 Thessalonians 3:1

Dear praying brothers and sisters in Christ,

Firstly, we are incredibly grateful for all the love and encouragement we have received since beginning this new journey, serving the Lord in Réunion Island. We cannot express how blessed we feel to have so many people praying for us and excited about what the Lord is doing there.



In February, we attended our first missions conference at Bible Believers Baptist Church, our sending church. It was such an encouragement to spend time with other missionaries and learn from their personal experiences during deputation and on the mission field. Our church family was incredibly generous to us as well, and we are so thankful to have such giving and loving people supporting us.

Since our 3-month survey trip in Fall of 2023, we have seen 9 people saved through personal witness, through online Bible studies on WhatsApp video, and through these same people sharing the gospel with their family members and neighbors. It has truly been incredible to see the Lord working in the lives of the people there, even in our absence. It is a powerful testament to the work of the Holy Spirit and not our own doing. We have been doing weekly discipleship lessons since December with 5 of these new converts through WhatsApp video, and their spiritual growth is evident each time we meet. It is such a blessing to see their eagerness to learn God's Word and their faithfulness to continue these studies online, after spending so little time together face to face.



On February 11, we had our first Sunday church service through a group video chat, where my wife played her autoharp and sang Amazing Grace in French, and I preached a sermon to our people about the god of this world. It was exciting to meet altogether for the first time, even if it was online and not in-person. Since then, we have had 5 Sunday services as a group, and it has been a great encouragement to us and them as we hope to continue these services in person once we get established there.

Please continue to pray for our family as we begin traveling around the U.S. on deputation, and for the people of Réunion Island, specifically Genevieve, Hélène M., Fred, Moise, Sophie, Aurore, Nadine, Marimar, Françoise, Josie, Hélène and Moise H. They desperately need prayer to fight against the false teachings that dominate the island and to strengthen themselves in the Word of God. Pray also that they will maintain good testimonies so that those around them can see the light of Jesus Christ shine in a dark place.

We are eternally grateful for your fervent and effectual prayers. They are the most powerful help you can give to the Lord's ministry in Réunion Island.

Your servants in Christ,

The Tave Family

Auré, Lizzie, Emma, Max & Eloise