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Pastoral Insights by Pastor Barry



My mind is thinking about something called "The Unfinished Story." This is the title of a class coming during our fall Institute on Sunday evenings beginning October 12th. But that is over a month away,

yet there's just something about it that has captured my mind and ignited my prayers. It isn't the first time that this timeless principle has grabbed my attention. It is obviously something from God's Word that I have actually repeated several times to you and others.

"And this Gospel of the kingdom will be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come!" Matthew 24:14

There's an aspect of Christ's mission that is complete/finished. Jesus died and rose again with these words from the cross, "It is finished!" Nothing more needs to be done for people to be saved except to believe and receive. That leads us to the "unfinished" part... "repentance and forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations..." Luke 24:47 The unfinished aspect of Christ's mission challenges us to get involved. My ambition is to make sure that this priority plays a significant role in my life. How about you?!





Breaking News from Indonesia



Anti-government protests have erupted across Indonesia

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hqKOpVeGPYo (Copy link and paste into your browser)

Pray for Peace in the Nation

Ask the Lord to silence anger, violence, and destructive words.

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God." (Matthew 5:9)

Pray for Wisdom for Leaders

Especially for parliament members and government officials—that they would speak with humility, act with responsibility, and seek the good of the people instead of their own interests.

"If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all..." (James 1:5)

More prayer requests on page 2, Pray for Indonesia

Pray for Indonesia, from Page 1

Pray for Protection Over Families and Schools

Ask for stability and peace in the midst of disruption.

"The Lord will watch over your coming and going both now and forevermore." (Psalm 121:8)

Pray for God's Shalom to Reign

Not just the absence of conflict, but His wholeness, healing, and flourishing over Jakarta and all of Indonesia.

"You will keep in perfect peace those whose minds are steadfast, because they trust in you." (Isaiah 26:3)

Pray Against Fear and Frustration

Many are weary, upset, and frustrated. Ask for God's comfort, calm, and hope to guard hearts.

"Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you." (1 Peter 5:7)

Pray for the Advance of the Kingdom

Even in turmoil, pray that the gospel will shine brightly and that the church will rise with compassion and courage.

"The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it." (John 1:5)

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Coming Soon!

New Harvest Institute

Finishing

the Unfinished Story!



Kenya Highlights

Praise!

All the students have resumed final term 3 of the year just last week. We have paid for the needs in full! Praise God again.

--Phyllis

Prayer Requests from Central Asia

From our representative...

- Please pray for the remaining funds to complete the Camp and Retreat Center.
- ◆ Please pray for the remainder of the funding to come through for the T* Camp and Retreat Center. We have \$672,000 of the \$1,200,000 needed.
- Please pray for our son Alex's safety in the Ukraine where he is working for a US Defense Contractor.
- Please pray for our son Bear with Down Syndrome.
 He has been experiencing some emotional and psychological challenges



Report from Brazil Marie Evensen In Person!



Thursday, September 11th - 6 PM

New Harvest Church Community Room

See You There!!!





https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/ yTgpqn5ITCqlog7N45aR2g#/registration

Naftali's Prayer Points:

1. Pray for the establishment of a Reading Post in the P* Islamic Boarding School ar-

ea. That this closed area will be opened to God's children.



2. Pray for Mr. M*, the village head there, Mr.

U*, the head of the Islamic boarding school, and Mr. G*, a general teacher, to partner with Cinta Baca. That Christianity can enter the P* village.

3. Pray for Mr. N* family, who is open to the Gospel. His son, S*, has a crooked left



hand, so that God can heal him completely. Prayers

were offered last month, and after prayers, S* hand

was straightened. But this afternoon, his hand was like that again.

4. Pray for Mr. U*, who has just learned that Jesus Christ died on the cross to forgive humanity's sins. Until now, he only knew that Jesus Christ did not die but was made

like him according to his religious teachers. Pray that his heart will be .

 Please also pray for Mr. R*, Mr. U*'s friend who wants to believe in Jesus but

is still afraid to be prayed for because everyone in his neighborhood is Muslim

*Full names are not used to protect the individuals on the ground.

Keep Praying for...

Indonesia

West Java—Home of the Sunda

Team Naphtali -

1. Prays for guidance for Mr. A* and his colleagues in Sukaraja district, so that their faith continues to grow and is more courageous outreach.

PARI Prayer Request -

Barnabas Team - Pray for N* who has moved and lives in J* so that he can share the service both in J* and in Jakarta.

Student Services - Pray for weekend students who have started evangelize services, especially those who are just starting to be given the ability to memorize modules, courage in doing evangelize and keep the spirit of this service greeting.

Abraham Team -Pray that the situation will be safe (there is intimidation of Christian issues) so that we can serve in that area again.

Lay Outreach - Pray for the outreach of secular students through Christian students who will be trained and reach out to their peers.

Amos Team - Pray that there will be additional House Church (HC) Members and faithfully follow HC, Pray that their faith will remain strong and steadfast, a breakthrough program to achieve the 2025 target.

Training Center (TC) - Pray for the loyalty of TC participants to pass the TC period until it is finished. And pray for the ongoing recruitment process, so that God will send workers who have a calling to serve in this ministry.

Children Youth Ministry (CYM) - Pray that God will accompany and bless the children served, as well as the planning made for the next five years at CYM, that every existing planning is in accordance with God's will, so that every activity, agenda and activity can glorify God.

Caleb's team - Prays for the House Church to be faithful in worship, grow in faith and continue to witness to their friends and family and live in the fear of God.

Nehemiah Team - Pray for the new HC in the C* area so that they continue to grow in faith.



Daniel/Bethany Team - Pray for the formation of a new HC so that it can be implemented soon, the people served have time to gather and start the House Church worship.

Isaiah Team - prays for the opening of a new HC in the R* family and B* house, J* family so that it can run smoothly.

Joshua's Team - Prays for planting of new HC in the L*, B* and K* areas which are being worked on by the Team and the members are already open but still no one believes it.

Peter Team - Grateful that the Pak W* House church has been formed and there is an addition of souls in August. Pray that the HC will get stronger and give birth to 2 new HCs. Thankfully, there are 2 HC members who have been baptized.

Judah Team - Pray for HC in the community and rainbow club to run regularly and continue to increase its members, Pray for KUBIK activities so that they will always be blessed by God.

Jehosaphat Team - Pray for 3 students who have participated in NLT (Network Leader Training) to remain faithful in carrying out the service. Especially for Mr. T*, pray for his health, sometimes blood comes out of his nose and there is also sugar disease, so that God's miracle occurs in Mr. T*'s life.

Timothy Team - Pray for 3 people to be open so that they want to become believers at the next follow-up

Paul Team - Praise God Mr. G* has started participating in Training for Local Leader activities and joining other students, because he was not willing to join before.

Cornelius Team - Prays for the land lease process because the plan will be carried out this September or October. Pray that we will get good agricultural land so that you can follow up on believers and planting the House Church.



On that day, we conducted a joint service to check eyeglasses in Parung Ponteng District. We visited Pak Rizal, one the residents we had previously served, but he still hadn't believed. The weather was unpredictable, with rain coming and going every hour. At that time, we met Pak Nasirin, a friend of Pak Rizal's, who was looking for grass to feed his sheep. Fortunately, Pak Nasirin was willing to have his eyes checked. One of the requirements to get glasses was to show an ID card, but Pak Nasirin didn't have it with him. We accompanied him to his house and helped carry the grass on our motorcycle despite the drizzle. When we arrived at Pak Nasirin's house, we met the Head of the Hamlet (Pak Kadus) who was escorting a friend looking for land to buy. After chatting, Pak Kadus also wanted to get reading glasses and asked us to survey a location for a Reading Post. Pak Nasirin's neighbors also asked for glasses.

After finishing the eye checks, the rain hadn't stopped yet. We chatted with Pak Nasirin's wife and shared the Gospel with her. When she heard that Jesus was able to heal the sick and even raise the dead, she told us about her youngest child, Sani, who was ill and hadn't recovered despite being taken to various doctors. We were invited to their home and met Sani, whose hand was bent and couldn't be straightened. We prayed for Sani, and after the prayer, Sani's hand, which was previously bent, could be straightened little by little. Pak Nasirin and his wife were amazed and said that Sani's hand had never been straightened like that before. Sani looked happy and straightened his hand repeatedly. We told them that they could pray to Jesus in their hearts, and if they believed, God would help.

Although one of Sani's siblings said it was just a coincidence, we were convinced that the power of Jesus Christ was real in Sani's life and Pak Nasirin's family. We continued to pray that God would continue to touch Sani's hand and heal it further. May the power of Jesus Christ continue to be evident in that area, and may Pak Nasirin's family come to believe in and worship God.

Prayer Point:

Pray for the N* family to be won over, that through the miracle of their child's healing, they may become open and believe in the power of Jesus.

Pray that through this family, a new house church can be formed. Pray that through this platform of eye checks and provision of reading glasses, many people can hear the Gospel.

Pray that the village head will have the opportunity to hear the Gospel and believe at the next meeting.

Our deepest appreciation and thanks to all those who have supported the team both in prayer and financially.

> Thank you for continuing to participate in spreading

the Good News of Jesus Christ!