



THE LEE FAMILY



MISSIONARIES TO THE SOLOMON ISLANDS

Dear Friends,

We continue to make steady progress toward our goal of seeing Auki Baptist Church led by its own local pastors and leaders. It is encouraging to watch this vision begin to take shape. One of our older men has started leading the singing and parts of the service. Colton continues to disciple the young man who cared for the church while we were away. He has now begun preaching on the last Sunday of every month. We are especially excited on the Sundays when both the song service and the preaching are done entirely by national men.

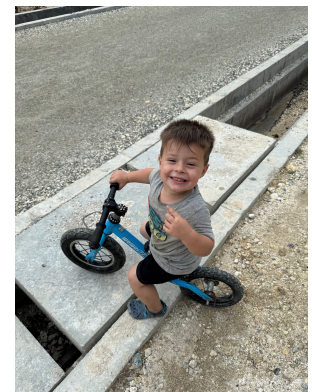
Work on our house is moving forward. Last week we finished the guest room and the other rooms underneath the house. We hope to begin the flooring on the main level in July. We have also installed our rainwater catchment system and water tank. I'm a bit embarrassed to say that I had underestimated the cost of building quite significantly. We raised about \$20,000.00 less than needed. Some of this was a miscalculation on building materials, but most of it was just inexperience on my part. I had a calculation for each section of the house that just turned out to be wrong. We are committed to slowly completing the rest of the house as money comes in, but it is only appropriate for me to inform all of our supporters of this delay.



Life has returned to normal now that the whole family is home. Lottie is adored by everyone she meets. Melodie has already been approached by several people needing medical help and has set aside Wednesdays to visit patients. She also hopes

to begin a Bible study with ladies in the market every Wednesday afternoon during their lunch break. Many of the women have asked for this study and it would be a wonderful opportunity to share Christ.

Colton had the opportunity to preach at a school gathering of several hundred students and teachers. We also continue our weekly outreach to the Chinese community by inviting them into our home every Saturday for dinner. We were especially glad to finally have a couple join us whom we had been praying for and inviting for the past 2 years. They have heard the gospel multiple times through the witness of Chinese believers in our church. Please pray for "B" and "I" as they consider Christ. They have expressed the serious challenges they would face if they choose to follow Him, so we ask the Lord to give them courage and faith. Continue to pray for the Christian Chinese here as they share the gospel with their countrymen. We are also deeply grateful to receive about 600 Bibles from a church in the U.S. Unfortunately, they have been held up in customs for over a month. Please pray that they will be released quickly so we can ship them to our island and begin distribution.



Constrained by love,
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