



# Levi Pitman

## -Helping Missionaries in Vanuatu

January/February/March 2013

Dear Friends and Family,

Thank you for your prayers and support. This last week I especially needed your prayers because of our outreach across Santo. We hiked for 9 days, climbed several mountains (a total of approximately 50,000 ft), and crossed more rivers than I can count. We went to 8 villages starting in the Big Bay area and stretching across into the West Coast.

I think I hold the record for the most leeches. They seemed to really like me. At one point I nearly fell off a 300 ft. waterfall. One of my friends, a native guide, was able to grab me just in time. I'm sure this is a result of all the prayers behind me. God kept us from getting sick until after we got home. I've had a few minor infections on my legs, but am doing much better now.

One day, during the hike I was feeling discouraged because I am still not fluent in Bislama and it's very limiting when you can't speak to people. Then there in the middle of the jungle the Lord let us come across a man named Sam. I was surprised that Sam spoke English and I thank God that I was able to witness clearly to him. By the end of outreach we counted well over 60 people who prayed to accept Christ.

Back at CSL, I've been staying busy with all the work and the projects we need to complete this year. The tables were covered in mold, so I spent a couple days sanding and varnishing them. They are now much more sanitary for eating. I was also able to get the bobcat running, but it still has a few minor issues.

Last month, we painted the outside of our church building with the help of the youth group and dug trenches for the water pipes leading to the new toilet block at the church. We are hoping to have the restrooms finished in March.

Pray for me as I learn Bislama. In March, I was able to visit the Malekula island for the funeral of my friend's father. Due to a cyclone, I didn't get to preach, but I did have the chance to share the Gospel with the family. Please pray God will bless the seeds I planted.

God bless you,

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The team hiking across Santo island



One of the waterfalls



A village family we stayed with during our hike



One of the remote villages



New bathrooms



Thank God for chances to share the Gospel with people