

# THE SANTOSO FAMILY

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## Praise reports...

- Baptism of Zion and Rutha.
- New visitors from the community.
- Well-attended dedication service with Pastor John and Janet Young.
- Ten people attended the New Beginning Class.
- The City Council has approved the Code of Compliance Certificate for our new space.
- Outdoor church signs are purchased and installed.

## Prayer requests...

- God to raise up more godly leaders in our Church.
- Men and women (young and older) in our church to surrender to full-time ministry.
- Salvation: Chris Bui (the builder), Savaii, Conner, Gary, Yuuki, Mark, Esther, Matthew, Sione.
- God's strength and wisdom to endure.

## Family corner...

Well, the end of another year is here...Adeline finished her high school degree in November. She has plans to take a "gap year" next year and work before pursuing a University Degree. Due to restructuring at her job, she has been let go so let's pray she can get a new job quickly.

Anna graduated in December from AUT with her Bachelor in Arts. She plans to continue her master's degree next year.

Abby has completed her 2nd year as a primary school teacher. She has been offered a new job at a different primary school beginning in February 2025. New challenges are on the horizon for her but she is excited for a change.

Amy and I celebrated our 25th wedding anniversary in December. We have a cruise in the itinerary early next year. We are continuing our journey one day at a time. God is so good.

Greetings from Auckland, New Zealand.

"And I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who hath enabled me, for that he counted me faithful, putting me into the ministry" (1 Timothy 1:12). We praise God always for enabling us to serve and testify Him, counting us faithful and putting us into the ministry in Auckland, New Zealand. In early October, Amy and I received a certificate of twenty years in ministry as missionaries in New Zealand. As we reflected on this milestone, we were humbled by the privilege and the honour to experience God and His power in many impossible situations.

On October 6th, we had a Dedication Service for our church's new space at the Three Kings Plaza. We were honoured to have Pastor John and Janet Young in our midst. They were the missionaries who led me to Christ in 1995 as an overseas student in Auckland, New Zealand. Despite their health challenges, they came to testify the great and mighty things that God has done and is doing as a result of their labour for Christ. It was a glorious experience for our church to see the work of God in three spiritual generations!



In November, we had another opportunity to testify the glory of God in our ministry. We saw two individuals come to know Jesus Christ as their personal Saviour, Zion and Rutha. They attended children and youth ministry since 2011. I had the privilege to lead their parents to Christ and baptise them that year. We had a New Beginning Class in early November, and they attended this class. Praise the Lord that God used this class to give them more clarity of what it truly meant to be followers of Jesus Christ. During the class sessions, they had a personal encounter with God through His Word, and they responded by faith. Their parents were amazed to hear how their children came to know



Christ. Praise the Lord, on December 1st, they publicly identified themselves with the Lord Jesus Christ through Baptism! Both Zion and Rutha shared their personal testimonies with the whole church, and the church was encouraged and edified.

God has opened many doors of opportunity to make disciples in our community, but the labourers are a few. We realise that many Christians in our church do not know how to make disciples like our Lord Jesus Christ did. Please pray for us as we plan a disciple-making program to help our church members make disciples in the community. Thank you for your prayers and support. Merry Christmas & Happy New Year to you and your family.