



## The Lugo Family Associate Missionaries to Vanuatu



### November & December 2024 Update

Greetings from Vanuatu,

November and the beginning of December was full of fair wells and fellowship. We just returned to the states to prepare for deputation in 2025! We will share more updates soon 😊.

In November we enjoyed being with our brothers and sisters in worship services, times of fellowship, and celebrating all God has done and continues to do here in Vanuatu. We were able to minister at Apostolic Christian Tabernacle, Silimauroi UPC, Faith Tabernacle of Pango, and All Nations UPC. The joy of the Lord filled our hearts as we sang, danced, preached, worshiped, and prayed together. The spirit of discipleship has taken root in the hearts of the churches here and as we visited these congregations, they were excited to share about ongoing Bible teaching, lives changing, and new disciples growing in Christ. Our NiVanuatu family are reaching the world through discipleship, with the people of Vanuatu, Indonesia, Philippines, Fiji, China, and other island nations studying God's word together.

Our Bible school students finished the year strong with many of them engaged in local ministry and applying what they are learning in the classroom to their daily lives and communities. The school year finished on America's Thanksgiving Day and we had a lively celebration dinner. We spent time sharing a "mostly" traditional American style Thanksgiving meal (chicken not turkey), which was a first for our students and national teachers. Then we had a good time of everyone giving thanks and sharing testimonies. Our students have shared so many local foods and experiences with us, so we were happy to have a fun opportunity to share one of our holidays with them to celebrate the end of the year.

The Southern Vanuatu District invited our family to a special farewell kaikai during their district conference. There was laughter, tears, excitement for the future, and a time of looking up to the hope we have of eternity together with Jesus. The atmosphere of hope and excitement fills the churches of Vanuatu as they work together to shine the light of Jesus, make disciples, and take time to talk about eternity and the hope we share. Tears filled our eyes as we enter a time of separation, but our hearts are full because in the body of Christ there is no "Goodbye," only "See you later."

Thank you for continuing this journey with us as we all work together in God's kingdom. We are excited to share news of our next steps in Lugo Missions Journey, so keep an eye out for a future

update. We begin deputizing in 2025 and we hope to see some of you in person and swap testimonies of what God is doing! Follow us on our “Lugo Missions Journey” Facebook page so you will know if there is a van full of Lugo’s in a city near you 😊!

Blessings in Jesus name

~The Lugo 5



Together with our brothers and sisters at Apostolic Christian Tabernacle



Worship and fare wells at Silimaui UPC



Worship service at Pango Faith Tabernacle



Final Sunday service in Vanuatu with All Nations UPC



"American" Thanksgiving Dinner with the GATS Bible school teachers and students. At the dinner they presented us island style Christmas outfits. We love and will miss our students ❤️



Southern Vanuatu District farewell dinner and goodbyes at the airport