

Timor Leste



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School of Worship

This month we had a School of Worship, that I had mentioned in the previous Prayer Letter. It was a big blessing! We had an average of 70 youth, of many churches that came to every single class. We talked about the Heart of the Worshipper, Abraham's Worship, Intimacy with God, How to Listen to God's Voice and many other subjects. The guys from *Vila do Louvor* (Praise Village), together with Beto Tavares, ministered some classes and also praise and worship with the help of some timorese. I also helped in worship (actually, I played the drums almost the whole time... there are not many drummers here... yet). We even had a "acoustic" worship, with only guitars and vocals... very nice.



Momento de Louvor na Escola de Adoração

We also had many workshops, of guitar, vocals, drama and dance, and drums, which I ministered, as you can see in the picture above. It was very cool! I had never ministered any workshops and it was interesting... even more because I had to speak through an interpreter, because I can't yet speak enough Tetun to explain certain things. Talking about it, during our "acoustic" worship, I help translating some words that Renan, who lead worship, talked, because everyone was from the Brazilian team and I was the one that spoke Tetun better. I had to "look deep within" for the words, but I think I

could express myself okay. A few months from now I will be able to translate better =)

At the School, the nicest thing was to see the timorese giving themselves up to God in worship. In the beginning they were not very comfortable, but then they started worshipping more freely and at the end, they didn't wanted to stop anymore. Glory to God! We heard some testimonies of some of them and how their lives were transformed, how they gained a hunger and a thirst for God and even their families were already seeing the difference in them! It was truly a time of many blessings!

We had the graduation this week and about 100 people were present, to worship the Lord together and thank Him for all the blessings received there. We are planning to gather these youth at least once a month, to continue with this work, so that these lives will not be lost. We want to have nights of worship, study groups, and even camp outs... please be praying for this.



Formandos da Escola de Adoração



Ministração durante Escola de Adoração

Weberek and Other Plans

Next Saturday I will be going with the team from Vila do Louvor to Weberek, a village about 6 hours away from here. We are going to help in the YWAM base over there, with construction, reformations, and also children's ministry and some other things. We will be spending 11 days there and I will probably not be able to communicate with any of you during this time. Be praying that everything will be all right and that we don't go through any problems.

During the School I taught English to some timorese college students, with the help of some guys from Vila. They study English at college, but don't have many opportunities to speak English, so we had classes that focused on conversation, that were very good. About 15 of them came and they like it very much. I'm praying about continuing these classes, at least once a week, at their college. It will be a tremendous opportunity, because I will be creating a relationship with them and it will be easier to ask them to go to church, besides the fact that I will also be learning Tetun, as I teach them English.

Let me use these last few lines to tell about a little blessing I received. At the end of last month, I went to renew my visa, and applied for that with all the paperwork needed, expecting that it would be renewed until the end of June. But, when I went to get my passport, I noticed they gave me one more month - for free! At the end of this visa renewal I will have to leave the country, for a few days, to get another visa when I come back in, but, thanks to God, I will have one more month here and won't have to worry about it until the end of July and not June, as was expected. Glory to God!

Maromak fo bensa ita hotu! God bless you all!

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