



"Seek first His kingdom  
and His righteousness,  
and all these things will be given to you as well."  
— Matthew 6:33

Even when the challenges before us seem as large as a mountain, may we earnestly pray to seek first His kingdom and His righteousness. With that prayer in our hearts, we present our prayer letter for May 2025.

## The Issue of Free School Meals



Indonesia is currently facing nationwide difficulties due to rising prices and increasing unemployment. President Prabowo and the National Assembly enacted the TNI Law, which permits dual roles for military and police officers.

Also during his presidential campaign, President Prabowo had promised to implement a nationwide free school meals program. However, now that the program has been launched, it has severely depleted the national budget, leading to cuts in other essential areas. As a result, large-scale protests by university students have continued without pause.

Please pray that the leaders of Indonesia may be granted wisdom, and that the nation's political and economic situation will soon stabilize.

## The Sundanese People



Indonesia is a multiethnic nation made up of over 300 ethnic groups. Among them, the Sundanese are the second-largest ethnic group, comprising 13.6% of the population. Centered primarily in West Java, the Sundanese are considered one of the least evangelized people groups in Indonesia, with 99% identifying as Muslim. Only about 0.06% of the population identifies as Christian.

The Sundanese are generally known for being gentle and kind, a reflection of their cultural values of lemah lembut (gentleness and calmness) and sopan santun (courtesy and respect). However, due to the strong influence of conservative Islam, religious norms are strictly observed, and there is a noticeable social distance from non-Muslims—especially Christians.



Moreover, since Sundanese society places high value on communal harmony, conversion to Christianity often results in complete social exclusion. From a human perspective, it seems nearly impossible for those whose lives and identities are so deeply rooted in Islam to accept the Gospel. Many say that ministry among the Sundanese bears little visible fruit.

Nevertheless, we remain committed to planting seeds of the Gospel wherever God has placed us.

"The weapons we fight with are not the weapons of the world. On the contrary, they have divine power to demolish strongholds. We demolish arguments and every pretension that sets itself up against the knowledge of God, and we take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ." (2 Corinthians 10:4-5)

## Outreach During Idul Fitri



Late March to early April marked Idul Fitri, one of the most important holidays for Muslims. During this festive season, we had the opportunity to visit a Sundanese region and spend meaningful time there.

We visited a family with a sick member and prayed for them, and we were warmly welcomed and served a thoughtful meal by another family with whom we had previously built a relationship.



During our time in the area, three individuals had the opportunity to hear the Gospel. Please pray that these relationships will continue to grow, that faith would take root in their hearts, and that they would come to receive Jesus as their Lord.

## Serving the Local Church



We attend a local church every Sunday. Thankfully, the church continues to give us opportunities to preach, and we are currently preaching about twice a month. Although our language skills are still lacking, we strive to prioritize obedience to God over focusing on our shortcomings.

We are increasingly reminded that, just as it is important to reach the unreached, it is equally vital to nurture and disciple existing believers.

Please pray that we may work in unity with the denomination and the local church, so that together we may accomplish God's good purposes.



As a family, we hold daily family worship by reading three chapters of the Bible together each day. Sometimes, the children fall asleep during our worship time, but we are grateful to see them sitting with us, reading Scripture, and sharing their thoughts.

There are moments when, through their reflections, I find myself meditating more deeply on verses I might have otherwise overlooked. I am often moved when I hear them say that God has called our whole family to be missionaries.

Please pray that our children, as they grow up here on the mission field, will come to know God's love more deeply through His Word, and that they will grow to become Christ-followers who shine His light in the world.

## Answered Prayers for Visa and Housing Needs

In our previous prayer letter, we asked for prayer regarding our visa and housing rental expenses. We are deeply thankful that God, who knows our concerns, has provided nearly all the necessary funds through the generous support of His people.

We sincerely thank all our ministry partners who have supported us through both prayer and financial giving, and we express special gratitude to Soongin Church and Pastor Yohan Kim.

Thanks to your prayers, the visa process through the local denomination has been going smoothly. Please continue to pray that we will be able to receive our visa by the end of June.

## Upcoming Ministry Schedule

May 18: Preaching at the youth service of the local church (GMII Nain)

May 24: Online lecture by Missionary Yeoncheol Kim for the Soongin Church short-term mission team

Until June 16: Missionary Linji Choi teaching Korean at a local elementary school (BPK)

Until June 23: Missionary Yeoncheol Kim studying the Indonesian language at the Indonesia University of Education

## Thanksgiving Points

1. We thank the Lord for calling us as missionaries to the Sundanese people of Indonesia, who are in great need of the Gospel.
2. We are grateful for leading us to a good local denomination and for opening the way for our visa.
3. Thank You for guiding us smoothly through the process of extending our house rental and for providing the necessary finances.
4. As we enter the dry season with unpredictable weather, we thank You for keeping our family healthy.
5. We are always thankful for our strong sending church, partnering churches, and faithful prayer supporters.

## Prayer Requests

1. Please pray that the three individuals who heard the Gospel in the Ciparay area will receive Jesus as their Lord, and that regular gatherings will continue.
2. May the Korean language ministry become a channel of positive influence and blessing.
3. Pray that we may build a good partnership with the local denomination, and that our service will help the church grow in health and strength.
4. May the doors for ministry be opened wide, and may we become evangelists who boldly share the Gospel with the local people.
5. Please protect our whole family in the hot weather—grant us physical health, peace of mind, spiritual vitality, and an abundant gift of language skills.