

2012
ANNUAL REPORT
FOR
FRIENDS OF MADAGASCAR
MISSION (FOMM)

Dear Friends of Madagascar Mission,
Thank you for your generous support in 2012. The following report is a brief summary of the work we have been able to support through your generosity. You will discover as you read these three reports 1) Prison Ministry, 2) Evangelists, and 3) Ejeda Nutrition; their great appreciation for your support and the tremendous work that is being done in Christ's Name! Thank you!

PEACE IN CHRIST!

The Rev. David P. Lerseth, President
Friends of Madagascar Mission
(FOMM)



Pictured above is one of the prisoners being baptized by a Malagasy Lutheran Church pastor.



Pictured above is our newest supported(FOMM) evangelist, Tovontsoa Martin, his wife & family.

I-Subject

The Prison Ministry Program is a ministry of the Malagasy Lutheran Church (Fiangonana Loterana Malagasy - FLM). The FLM's vision for its mission and ministry is to reach out to people where ever they may be in life with the Gospel message of hope through Jesus Christ.

On a weekly bases, a team of seven (7) pastors, six (6) catechists (teachers) and thirty-eight (38) Shepherds (lay persons who are part of a renewal movement that ministers to those suffering from physical, mental and demonic illnesses); visit five (5) prisons each week.

II- Service Schedule at the Prisons

- + Saturday 8 am-10h30mn: Antanimora men and Arivonimamo Prison.
- + Wednesday 8 am- 10 Am: Tsiroanomandidy Prison located 150 Km from Antananarivo
- + Sunday 10h30mn-12h30mn: Antanimora Women.
- + Tuesday 3 pm-5pm: Tsiafahy Prison (The Maximum Security Prison; located 20 Km from Antananarivo)
- + Wednesday 10am-12 0'clock: Antanimora Minor.

III-Mission Work While at the Prison

- ❖ We hold worship services which includes preaching the Gospel, followed by the laying on of hands on the prisoner's head.
- ❖ The pastors lead the prisons in a communion service once a month in each prison.
- ❖ The six catechists teach confirmation (catechism) class to prisoners who have recently been baptized, and anyone else who desires to study.
- ❖ On a regular bases we distributed rice and dry beans, Bibles, and medicines.

IV-Testimonials of Prisoners

A prisoner tells his story: "After hearing the preaching of the Good News, I became convinced that the Bible is telling me about God's love for me. I then made a decision to attend the confirmation classes. In class I shared my life story and how I lived a destructive life style. Now, I have given my life to Jesus Christ and have a new life. Now I am liberated, even though in prison."

The Prison Ministry uses the following two Bible passages as our theme: *John 8:36* "If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed." and *John 10:10* "The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have [it] more abundantly."

IV-In Summary

In summary we can say that the 2012 Prison Ministry Program (evangelization and social work) was very successful. The Prison Ministry committee members would like to express our gratitude to Friends of Madagascar Mission (FOMM) and your donors for your generous gifts of support. Praise be to the Lord God and praise be to His Glorious Name forever!

Yours in Christ services, Catechist Denise

Malagasy Lutheran Church Betioky Atsimo Synod

Evangelism Program in Four Districts:

- 1) Ejeda 2) Gogogogo 3) Andranotsiriry
- 4) Fotadrevo

Activity Report for the Overseas Supporters of Evangelism Program for Unreached Areas of the Betioky Atsimo Synod

Motto: Go in all the world and preach the Gospel to all human beings and those who believe and get baptized will be saved... Mark 16 :15

Introduction : This command uttered by Jesus was given not only to the Israelites but to the whole world. Part of it is the collaboration to carry out this command because there are those who are given the material means and there are those who provide the labor to fulfill this great commission. This activity report is then to showcase the results of the evangelists' effort in a one year period, from January to December 2012.

Activity Report : This evangelization effort in the undeveloped areas has been established for some time already and started in the District of Ejeda, more precisely, in the village cluster of Ampitanake, Agnena Mazava, Anivorano, and Evovo. It was then called the « Mahafaly Village » project. It made some progress for sometime, but never reached a fully developed status and was then terminated. When Dr. Elson and his wife took over the project it bloomed again due to their skills and know-how. The project expanded to reach out to three other districts : Gogogogo, Andranotsiriry, and Fotadrevo where evangelists were stationed in non-Christian areas. The number of people becoming Christians has increased across all ages. The work of the evangelists has progressed in that many communities are asking for outreach and church planting. In other words : « the harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few » Mat 9 :38. We are therefore making an appeal to you, overseas friends, to support the increase in the number of evangelists operating in unevangelized areas.

EVANGELISTS

SPONSORED BY

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| 1- Zafimandimby Todimampiadana working at Behomby. Ejeda District | Singsaas Lutheran Church
Hendricks, Minnesota |
| 2- Tolisoa working at Esatra, Ejeda District | David & Diane Lerseth
Gurnee, Illinois |
| 3- Elongondrae Jean working at Esatra Sakoantovo, Ejeda District | Faith Lutheran Church
Monona, Iowa |
| 4- Lahimahery Roger working at Betaratse, Andranotsiriry District | Hosanna Lutheran Church
Watertown, South Dakota |
| 5- Randrianantenaina Leon working at Ranohandatse, Gogogogo District | Trinity Lutheran Church
Carrington, North Dakota |

EVANGELISTS

SPONSORED BY

- 6- Lambo Tsimaniva Ernest working at Anivorano, Fotadrevo District St Marks Lutheran Church
Lindenhurst, Illinois

- 7 Realy Daniel working at Bedaro, Fotadrevo District Lucille Peterson
Hutchinson, Minnesota

- 8- Tsaramana Daniel working at Andranomilitse, Andranotsiriry District The Conrad Braaten
Family – In Memory of

- 9- Tovontsoa Martin working at Belindo Ampandroatsitry, Ejeda District Paul & Rose Ann Lumborg
Olympia, Washington

“Friends of Madagascar Mission (FOMM) has received funding at the end of 2012 to provide for 6 additional evangelists. This brings the total number of evangelists supported by FOMM donors to 15. Thanks be to God for the support! Our goal is 25 evangelists and as you can see from the report below, there is a place for them to serve. Pray that we will continue to grow in the number of evangelists supported by FOMM donors!”
(comments by Rev. David P. Lerseth, President of FOMM)

ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE NUMBER OF BAPTISMS

YEAR 2012	Confirmands	Adult Baptism	Child Baptism	Communities applying for church planting	Communities asking for visits
Jan - Dec	222	286	342	14	08

To God alone be the glory and may blessings and success be upon us all.

The Pastor in charge of coordinating the outreach work: Filarmond, Lutheran Pastor
(Our thanks to Andry Ranaivoson for translating this evangelist report into English)

Ejeda Nutrition Program Annual Report 2012

“Therefore, my beloved, be steadfast, immovable, always excelling in the work of the Lord, because you know that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.”



(Photos of the country-side around Ejeda Hospital, Madagascar)

1- Introduction

We feed the TB patients, the inpatients and the handicap children at Ejeda Hospital for continuing Jesus’ mission and to share His love to His people.

2- Activities report

Lightfoot and Radony are the employees who are responsible to distribute the food for the feeding program.

The system of the distribution is: (1) Four cups of rice and two cups of vognemba (a type of bean) for each inpatient every two days. (2) Fourteen cups of rice and four cups of vognemba for TB patients per week.

How the system works

i- To get the food

We purchased the rice and vognemba from merchants in at Ejeda.

ii- How to distribute the food



Food for TB patient



Food for inpatient

We place the rice inside of medium size plastic bags and the beans inside of a smaller sized bag. When the food is distributed, we record who received the food and how much was given to each person. Below is the 2012 record of how many people received food.

iii- Number of the inpatients, TB patients and handicaps kids who received the food

Period	Inpatient	TB patient	Handicap kid
Dec 11	105	54	10
Jan 12	112	40	8
Feb 12	191	45	8
Mar 12	294	79	10
Apr 12	152	47	8
May 12	150	51	8
June 12	57	68	10
July 12	187	50	8
Aug 12	73	42	8
Sept 12	39	41	8
Oct 12	22	30	6
Nov 12	56	43	6
Dec 12	83	44	8
Total	1521	634	106
Indemnity for Lightfoot and Radony [20,000 X 2] X 13 months		520,000	
Fuel for transportation		18,250	
Total		807,560	

3- Acknowledgement

We thank Friends of Madagascar Mission (FOMM) for the efforts that they give to our homeland. We also want to thank all of the FOMM donors for your generous support and your prayer support of the Ejeda Nutrition Program. We try to help suffering people through the Ejeda Nutrition Program and we know that God uses us to glorify His name. May God richly reward all of you.

4- Conclusion

Our goal through the Ejeda Nutrition Program is to help the suffering people of this area in Madagascar. Our prayer is that God will use this Ejeda Nutrition Program and all of us who work with the program to glorify His name. May God reward all of you richly!

GLORY BE TO GOD ALONE!!!

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