

English Classes... In these last few months I've been involved a lot with English teaching, both here in *Dili* and in *Maubisse, Ainaro*.

Here in the capitol we had classes focused on conversation, with students from *Universidade Nacional* (National University), whose English is on a mid-advanced level, like I had mentioned on previous *Prayer Letters*. We had some really good classes, but we had to end them. The students started a new semester and their schedule became less flexible, so now we'll do it differently... I'll be going to the university to have conversations with them. We'll exchange ideas, answer questions, and, more important than that, will improve our friendship. Apart from that, my schedule will be more flexible on these last two months I'll be here (hard to believe... only 2 months left!)

I was also in *Maubisse*, a village in the mountains, teaching the staff at the local hospital. Those classes were very different, since most students had a very basic knowledge of English, unlike the students from the University. We had only 4 classes, for one week, but they were very good classes and, once more, we could establish a good contact there, that might open many doors for *TA* in the future. I could also "stretch" myself a little more, since I'd never taught a basic English course, much less in Tetun ;)

Pastors' Summit... Next month we'll be hosting the *1st Pastors' Summit in Timor Leste*. We'll have about 60 participants... 1 pastor from each district, 1 from each denomination, plus some missionaries and a delegation from Singapore. We will spend some days there in *Com* (an amazing village!), in the district of *Lautem* praying, praising God and having many workshops every day besides strengthening the relationship among the leaders.

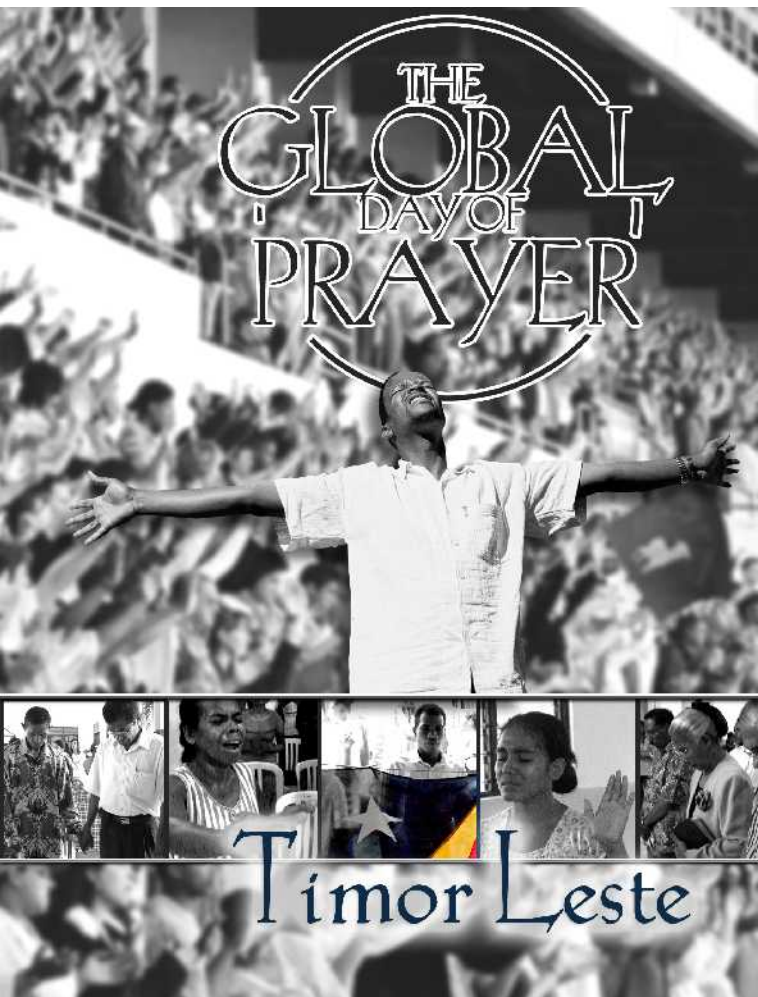
I've been to *Com* for a few hours, with the staff from *TA*, to check out hotels, food and everything else... I could confirm what I'd heard from many people: *Com* is really beautiful! I promise I'll take lots of photos and will send you some, ok?

Be praying that this Conference will be a blessing, and that it may be the first of many, that will lead the Timorese Church to unity.



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Global Day of Prayer... For the 2nd time Timor Leste will be a part of *The Global Day of Prayer*, joining dozens of nations and thousands of people throughout the world. I was also a part of the 1st Day here in Timor last year. This year we believe it will be a lot better... we're expecting more people, and we're feeling that the pastors have been embracing the vision more actively than last year. =)

Be praying that God will move more and more each and every day in Timor through the prayers of His people

“if My people, who are called by My name, shall humble themselves and pray, and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from Heaven and will forgive their sin and will heal their land.” – 2 Chronicles 7:14

Good News... 2 weeks ago *President Ramos-Horta* returned from *Darwin, Australia*, where he was staying to recover from the assassination attempt that happened 2 months ago. When he arrived hundreds of timorese got together and held hands, making a “chain” of people from the airport all the way to the presidential house, to welcome their leader. I wasn't here, because I was still teaching in *Maubisse*, but I heard that it was a very beautiful demonstration, that showed the unity of the timorese people – which we've been praying so much about – and also the appreciation they have for their president.

A few days later the curfew was canceled all over the country, since one of the leaders of major *Alfredo's* group (that died during the attack on the president) turned himself in to the authorities, together with some soldiers. Thank God the situation in this country is going back to normal!

Let us pray that Timor will continue in peace
Let us pray that the Timorese people may be united each and every day

Maromak fo bensau!
God bless you!

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