

# The Manam Ministry - February 2021

Our vision for Manam, which is **1** out of nearly **2,500 COMPLETELY** unreached languages in the world today, reached to the standard of “The Great Commission” in our lifetime. Together with **YOU**, we will work to see this accomplished by both **SENDING & GOING!** (Matt 28:19, Rom 10:15, Rev 7:9)

**Ministry Update:** “The lot is cast into the lap, but its every decision is from the LORD.” Proverbs 16:33

At times our life decisions can feel like “a lot cast in the lap” when we are forced to make big, quick decisions; especially when we live over 7,000 miles away, isolated by ourselves in a remote tribe. As many of you know we had less than a 24 hour window to decide if we should return home for an unpredictable, extended family health complications. With a million decisions to unexpectedly weigh out in a matter of a couple hours it can feel overwhelming. At times it feels it’s ALL on our shoulders when it’s really not. God reminds me that “every decision is from the Lord”, despite the appearances of our seemly trump card of “free will” to displace the endless wise council and sovereignty of God. As I look in the present and headed into the future my free will seems like it leads the way. Yet when I look backwards I fully see the hand of God throughout my life. The decisions I made had God’s handy work written all over it. Which brings us to now..returning home by our choices. The truth is, we didn’t bring ourselves home, God did. God foreknew our need of rest and wisdom, before the foundation of the earth, and used “extended family” to budge us along because we are to stubborn and think we are too tough to need revival at times. This last year and a half on the field has definitely felt the hardest for us as a family. So God is using this time to refresh us and allow us time to hear from Him without all the noise of pressing ministry, needs of the people we serve, coworkers, and other things that, although good, can also wage war against being still and knowing He is the Lord. God brought us home for some needed rest and wise counsel on how to proceed with our Manam team.

“In their hearts humans plan their course, but the LORD establishes their steps.” Proverbs 16:9

## PRAYER REQUESTS:

- Spiritual rest
- Mental & physical rest
- Wisdom with our coworkers
- Expediency of the gospel to the Manam people
- Praise > God continues to faithfully provide for us through his people.



## Building His Kingdom, Not Our Own:

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