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# THE TAVÉ FAMILY TO RÉUNION ISLAND

*Finally, brethren, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may have free course, and be glorified, even as it is with you: 2 Thessalonians 3:1*

Dear praying brothers and sisters in Christ,

As we begin this new year, we are looking back at 2025 in amazement at what God has done, not only in our own lives but those around us who have been faithfully serving the Lord. Even in our own difficulties, we find encouragement in hearing testimonies of God working in others' lives in miraculous ways. We are also so thankful to all of you who take the time to send messages letting us know you are praying. So much has changed for us since the beginning of last year, and we are excited to see what God will do in 2026. We find great peace in the fact that God knows exactly what He is doing every step of the way! We just ask that you pray for us to have wisdom to follow as He leads and to not be discouraged no matter what challenges present themselves. We know the longer we stay here and the more God begins to establish His church here, the more adversaries we will face.



**PRAISES AND PRAYERS:** We are rejoicing over the fact that we were able to have our first baptism since we moved to Reunion Island 10 months ago. We had been praying about this for some time, and although several of our people had expressed a desire to get baptized, they were extremely hesitant to follow through. After a lot of prayer, Sophie committed to being the first to be baptized on December 28, shortly after returning home from Canada. It was a beautiful service at her house, and we had 12 people come to witness her faithful obedience to the Lord. We had been praying for this to be an opportunity to preach the gospel to her family, but sadly, all of them (except Aurore who is saved) refused to come. Please pray for Sophie to have the strength to continue following the Lord and for God to give her abundant grace right now. Since arriving home at the beginning of December, she has faced incredibly difficult circumstances, many to do with her faith in Christ. Also, please continue to pray for her husband and her parents to get saved. We also praise the Lord for several divine appointments over the last few weeks. As we spend time with the people around us, many of them are opening up and asking direct questions about what we believe about God, the Bible and religion in general. I have had great conversations with people recently who are genuinely interested in knowing what



God's word says, rather than what religion (man) has been telling them their whole lives. Several of these people are from the tennis club where I help out each week and where our kids like to play. God has used my tennis abilities in marvelous ways for His glory. We really sense that He is drawing these people toward Him, and we are excited to see how He is working day by day. Please pray specifically for Ursula who was so thankful to receive a Bible, Yannis who is just starting to read the Bible, and Loic and Pierre who are asking more and more questions. Pray for the Holy Spirit to soften their hearts and to show them their need of salvation. Beatrice, who had expressed an interest in coming to a church service, has been faithfully attending the Sunday services at our home since our last letter. We praise the Lord for her willingness to show up on her own and study God's word. Please pray for God to make it very clear to her if she is saved or not and for the rest of her family's salvation as well.

We celebrated our first Christmas and New Year on Reunion Island with my mother and her husband's side of the family. They made sure we had a wonderful holiday, and we were very grateful for the love they showed us. My mother asked my wife to sing for everyone, so she was able to sing Amazing Grace and How Deep the Father's Love for Us in French. We could almost feel the Holy Spirit filling the room as those words were being sung. It was an opportunity to speak about the Lord, however small, and we praise God for it! We also had a special visit from our dear friend Christine Ku, and we had such a wonderful time with her. She also brought lots of goodies from Texas, which made 3 little children very happy!

This coming year, we ask that you would pray with us about one more big request. We have been meeting at our house for Sunday church services since the end of September, what has been a great blessing. And we are thankful for those who have been faithful to attend each week. But here on the island, having church at our house is seen as very strange and even cultish. When people find out where we are meeting, it seems as though it discourages them from coming. We have certainly been in prayer about this, and we don't want to be hasty in making any decisions. We just ask that you pray with us about possibly moving to a building sooner rather than later. We believe that the people we have invited to church would be more inclined to visit. But we need wisdom and clear direction from the Lord, whether we should start looking for a place or not and where.



May the Lord bless each of you for your steadfastness in the faith and your constant prayer for us!

Your servants in Christ, The Tavé Family  
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