



RÉUNION NEWSLETTER



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First Month! ✈

Réunion is a beautiful island, and everywhere you go, you are surrounded by mountains on one side and the ocean on the other. I arrived one month ago, and we hit the ground running with a Pentecost Weekend Conference where all four churches across the island came together.

I was able to share a testimony at the ladies' service that morning and preach a short message at the youth service! The worship ministered to me deeply, and while I felt uncertain about my place here, the worship reminded me why I was there. The next day, we had a general service with everyone together, and two young girls received the Holy Ghost.



I love visiting the Saturday market and walking around the city, seeing all the different cultures blend together. Réunion is a melting pot of cultures, much like the U.S. It blends African, Chinese, Indian, and European cultures all together to create an amazingly unique place.

My favorite thing we've done is a picnic with the local pastors and their families. Picnics are very important in Réunion. They are all-day events where everyone comes together and connects. I was honored to share this with them and play games with the pastor's wives. It was a fantastic time of fellowship, and I'm growing to love all these amazing people more and more every day.

Each Sunday, we visit different churches to minister and meet with the congregations around the island. This past Sunday, we split up to serve in different parts of the island. I stayed and ministered in Saint-Denis, while the Richardsons ministered in the south of the island, where two people were baptized.

While in Saint Denis, I taught the adult Sunday school hour with a translator and was excited to meet a guest from Singapore. She came up to me after the service and said that it was a sign from God that I was there, as she couldn't speak any French but could speak English. She emphasized that she wanted to come back to that church. It was exciting to connect with someone from halfway around the world in this tiny island who, like me, couldn't speak the primary language.

