# THE PEDERSENS

# March 2024



# Where are we?

February: Fundraising March: Indonesia (Recon to Indonesia) April: Zambia / Okavango Delta in Botswana May: Zambia (Expedition 1) June: Zambia (Expedition 2) July: Zambia-Malawi (Expedition 3) August: Zambia (Base Logistics) September: Zambia (Expedition 4)

## Hello!

We are currently in the Taipei Airport eating beef noodle soup for breakfast on our way to Indonesia. We will be paving the way for a Sector Team to move to Indonesia next year. Our role will be to research and explore the island of Flores to see if we think it is the island that they should build their base on. As well as building connections with any local ministries or people on the ground that we meet along the way. Indonesia has been on Overland's radar for a long time and many are excited for this country to launch next year. Trent and I will be in Indonesia for about 3 weeks before heading to Zambia then to Botswana for our next Recon trip.

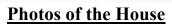
Yesterday, we flew out after a month of committed time to fundraising! What a joy it was to reconnect with so many of you.

### Why were we fundraising?

As many of you know we recently took on a new position as Zambia Expedition Managers. We will be helping facilitate all of the expeditions in and out of Zambia, training our AMT on how to lead expeditions, and all of the details in between. We are excited to step into this role and officially call Zambia home. Though, it has felt like home for a long time!

With this new position we began the process of building a home on our Rapid 14 Base and importing a vehicle. We are thankful for how these will serve us in the Nations and help create greater velocity for our ministry.

We are excited to share that when we flew out yesterday, we had reached \$77,916 of our \$100,000 goal! What an incredible testimony of God's provision. We deeply appreciate everyone who has given to this project. We are believing that God will provide the finances to complete this project as we follow up with individuals.





#### **Testimony: Truck Trip**

Last month we asked you to pray for the recruiting of our month-long July 1<sup>st</sup> truck expedition. We had a few people signed up, but desired a FULL team. I'm excited to share that God has brought 20 individuals signed up and fundraising for the trip. Which is our max number we are able to take with us. Thank you for praying!

Next, can you pray that each team member is fully funded by April 21<sup>st</sup>! Many team members struggle to get started. However, we know God provides. Please pray that each individual is filled with confidence and a revelation of God's worthiness of their efforts as they fundraise.



### Prayer!

- Finding a contact who speaks English right away
  - Last year on our recon to Benin, God led us to Faith. A young 24-year-old pastor who spoke perfect English and was overwhelmed with excitement to travel with us around Benin assisting in ministry and logistics. We are asking God to provide someone just like this for our time in Indonesia as well.
- For God to lead us to any existing believers to encourage them and learn about how God is currently moving in their Nation
- Favor as we travel the island of Flores searching for a place for the team to base next year
- For God to provide the remaining \$22,000 to finish our home!
- Continued energy, joy, and endurance in our travels and ministry

Thank you so much for everyone who has supported us monthly and through one-time gifts. I'm overwhelmed thinking about how much you have given, encouraged us, and loved us. We absolutely loved our time eating meals together and fellowshipping with you while we were back in America. We couldn't do this without your prayers and support.