

# The Jim Civale Family Prayer Letter – February 7, 2011

Dear Praying Friends,

I'm having a pronoun problem. How do I start this prayer letter? **He** did it! **You** did it! **They** did it! All three pronouns excite me, but I am sure you agree with me that it all starts and ends with "He did it!" We just marvel that *He* uses any of *us* in the process.

Exactly one year ago, **Asau Baptist Church** was chartered, starting its services in a 19'x34' open house. The congregation of ten (including four of us Civale's) began growing from the very first service. Month after month, our prayer letters catalogued the growth ... more than 20... more than 30... over 50... Before we knew it, more than 100. And these were no "1-2-3-please-save-me" professions either. People who were mocked, scorned, threatened, banished, and even beaten for their profession of faith just kept coming back and bringing others with them. HE DID IT! HE DID IT! HE DID IT! Over and over again, *He* did it!



Asau Baptist Church, Sunday Service, February 6, 2011

Soon it became evident that **Asau Baptist Church** needed a building. Village farmers and fishermen with no steady means of income began giving and giving and giving. **THEY DID IT!** They cleared land, poured cement, laid block, framed doors and windows, raised roofing trusses, nailed roofing tins and ceiling panels, ran wires, installed lights, hung doors, painted walls, tiled floors, and finished their building. **THEY DID IT!**

For the first six months as they gave and gave toward their church building, they had no idea that **YOU** were also giving and giving and giving. The Lord provided. He did it, but He worked through many of you who are reading this letter. Pastors, churches, friends, family, **YOU DID IT!** You prayed, you sent, you supported, you gave, you encouraged, you sacrificed, you rejoiced in each new birth, you watched the building project unfold with excitement, and you saw this project through to completion. **YOU DID IT!**

Now **you** and **they** and **we** sing together. 🎵 "To God be the glory, great things HE has done," 🎵



Asau Baptist Church Building Dedication & Ribbon-Cutting  
February 5, 2011

Joyfully and gratefully,

*Jim & Emi Civale*

Your Missionaries to the Samoan Islands

P.S. Over the next two weeks, we will be sending individual thank you notes to each of you who gave to this project but they may take awhile to reach you because our postal service is not as fast as in developed countries.

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