

Missions 1s for All Ages

I have been involved in two mission trips to Timor-Leste: the first was in 2019 and the second was in 2023.

When I was 14 years old, I went to Timor-Leste mainly to visit friends who were missionaries there.

However, as I spent time in the country, I was able to witness God's love through the people.

I also encountered God during worship.

This spurred me to return to Timor-Leste, and to keep serving the Lord through visiting and helping the missionaries.



Stephen (back row, second from right) with fellow mission trippers from Youthphoria during their trip to Timor-Leste in June.



Stephen and the youth team supporting the work of St Paul Methodist School.



The youths organised worship sessions at hostels such as Sundermeier Home (pictured).

This June, I had the chance to lead a youth mission trip to Timor-Leste.

The team comprised six members from Aldersgate Methodist Church and four members from Holland Village Methodist Church.

During our one week there, we visited two hostels and St Paul Methodist School.

The team held worship sessions, taught English and conducted devotions for the two hostels.

We also ran a leadership camp in the school, teaching about servant leadership. This was centred on the camp verse of Philippians 2:3-4.



By supporting a leadership camp at St Paul Methodist School, the team helped to impart lessons on humility and what it means to serve.

Despite our relatively big team size, we were able to see God's provision throughout the trip, whether it was passing through customs without a hassle or having our transportation go smoothly.

I used to be apprehensive about the cleanliness and undeveloped roads in Timor-Leste, but my concerns have been put at ease.

When I compare my visits to Timor-Leste over the years, I realise that the conditions have improved a lot. It is now much cleaner and safer in terms of transport and accommodation.

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Stephen and his team with Rev See Swee Fang and her husband (centre). The couple oversee the Dunamis Hostel ministry (pictured).

I really hope to see more youths step up to go on more mission trips as well as adults who can volunteer to lead the trip and guide us on missions.

From my own experience of missions, I feel that it's not about age or experience, but having the willingness to serve the Lord and help the missionaries there.

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