

### 1) YOUTH FOR CHRIST MADAGASCAR AMPARAFARAVOLA

Amparafaravola is situated in Alaotra Mangoro Region in the middle and North-East of Madagascar. It is a district, the first rice productive Region in Madagascar. Rice is part of main food in Madagascar, but people grow crops, fruits, some vegetables as well for keeping daily life active.



Youth for Christ Madagascar is legally pioneered in the city for about one and half year up to now. The Region is for agricultural purpose, people mostly gain their lives from farming. Thousands of hectares of rice fields used to belong to the French Colonial, later on malagasies buy it from the gouvernement.



Part of young people's duties are helping their parents in the farm after schools and on holidays. But if they decide to go further for their studies, they move to the capital city in Tana for the University.



This month the government just renovated about 60 km of a chanel to water the fields. The president of Madagascar came to Amparafaravola to inaugurate it in November, just before the raining season in the country.

People were very encouraged to work on farming after the drought, hitting the country in February and March this year.

For the one and half year, about hundred of young people came the YFC base, to learn English at the club, but at the same time have been evangelized, every Wednesday afternoon, and every Saturday during our clubs. Pioneering is always not easy, needs God's direction and wisdom, needs lots of prayer and the Lord's help. YFCM is the second christian organization ( the first one stoped due to the difficulties) pioneered in Amparafaravola and still functioning by God's grace.



Lasao, Ravo's wife is heading up the ministry. We divided kids in two groups, Kids around nine to fourteen years old are with her, and those who are over fourteen years old are with Ravo



### **Mihavana and Mitia's story.**

They are sisters, they live in Amparihikely, about 45 min by bicycle from Amparafaravola. First time we introduced Jesus Christ to them, they received Him as Savior and Lord of their lives. They are faithful to our club. It's new for them and they enjoy it. We always play (15- 20) min of movies telling about the Lord's ministering to the people, redeeming them from their sins and from their corrupted lives. The two of them love Jesus so much. From October this year ( after the big holidays), we restarted the club, both of them joined our discipleship classes, basically, we learnt from John 10 :10 where Jesus says » the thief comes only in order to steal. kill, and destroy, I have come in order that you might have life, life in abundant. »Mitia says, « In the movies, we never saw Jesus, condemned sinners. Instead, He conquered them by His compassion and His grace ». Christ lives in them, they never miss the clubs, we do not force them to come, but Jesus keeps them to come even they live a bit far from Amparafaravola.





Mihavana and Mitia



Amparihikely where they live 45min by bicycles

### Mike's story

Mike, our son joined yfc club from October this year, when he knew that most of his classmates are in the club. We encouraged him to improve his English, also we want him to follow the discipleship class. He accepted Jesus as his Lord. Today in the club The Lord leads in deeper and intimated relationship with Him. Mike adore Lord in a different way. He takes His Words as it is, we thank the Lord for that grace.



Mike in purple T-shirt

Our club numbers increased exponentially from November this year We sent our weekly prayers to the other yfcm centres, plus we improved our administartion side. We made files for each kids with their details and photos. We tried to contact their parents and talked with them, and prayed accordingly.

The principale of the governement college came to yfc, with her secretary, and brought along with them their own children, and some of their students to attend yfc club. They see the improvements of their kids in English. They are opened to any cooperation.

## 2) YOUTH FOR CHRIST MADAGASCAR FIANARANTSOA

Youth for christ Madagascar in Fianarantsoa is situated in the middle South part of Madagascar. Sandy and Vola his wife pioneered yfcm 11 years ago after they got married. They reached thousands of young people to Christ. The ministry is thriving with seven local board members.

**Praise dance** : Recently they created new ministry model to approach young people in Fianarantsoa, they call it « praise dance ». They lead 30 to 40 of their volunteers to take part of this new ministry, they move from area to area in the city. Basically the ministry is to praise the Lord for the Salvation He has done for humanity.



They play drama, from creation, then the fall of the humanity, until the coming of Jesus Christ to die on the cross and raised again after three days as He promised.

The whole show is about 1.30h, some of the volunteers play the drama, the others are dancing to praise the Lord.

Even though a short message is shared to proclaim the finish work of Christ, then an appeal is always made, to receive Jesus Christ as Lord, and we got good responses.

Young people are always attracted by drama and dancing in Fianarantsoa. They watch, they hear the gospel, they see young people dancing as well, they responded to the appeal.



Above that, the seven yfcm centres send prayer requests every Saturday, besides what we send monthly to YFCI Africa. We consistently pray for each other during the week. God is faithful and opens young people's hearts to accept Christ to be their Lord and Savior.

### **Prayer requests**

We thank the Lord for the changes of young people in Madagascar.

Please pray for the coming National Board meeting on 16th of December 2017 in Antsirabe.

Please pray for YFCM Tana as we just applied at FFTN (Foundation for the Nation), to finish the first floor of our college so that we are allowed by the government to opening our college in 2019 school year in Tana.

Please pray as Jaona our Centre Coordinator is getting married on the 0th of December 2017.

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