



# TheFloresFamily



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**Dear Praying Pastors and Churches,**

### **Making a History in Missions**

Timor Island was divided by past two colonial powers in the mid 1800s. The two being East and West Timor. The West by the Dutch which become a part of the Republic of Indonesia after World war 2 and the East by the Portuguese which eventually become Timor-Leste, an independent sovereign country in 2002.

### **The city of Atambua- Mission Trip**

It is the center of the Timorese Culture in the pre colonial era. The second largest city by population after Kupang. It lies immediate to the border with a little more than 150 km from Dili, the Capital of Timor Leste.

Atambua becomes a refugee Camp following the rampage that happened in 1999. It is a city of about 100,000 inhabitants. Our survey trip in July 2 makes it confirm of another potential outreach. We took a public utility bus (PUB) that took us about 4 hours to the town proper. I only trust the instinct of my assistant Pastor who has relatives in the refugee Camp and finally was able to establish a contact in our 2 days survey. It is a smooth journey passing thru the border. By Gods grace we came back safe after two days. We plan to do it once a month in the first few months.

### **Meet my assistant Pastor**

Pastor Arnaldo Dos Reis got saved in our early day's ministry at the age of ten years old. Despite the many job opportunities that were offered to him he chose to be in the ministry. After proving him to be a faithful worker, the church ordains him in 2016 to become a full time Pastor in one of our outreaches. Thank you all for your prayers and partnership. God bless.



Map of Atambua



East/ west boder



First contact



My assistant



July Baptism

His servant and yours,

Ferdie Flores

Missionary in Timor Leste since 2000

