

# Lets Talk Strategy!

## Barangonan ... What's our purpose?

### 1. Identify/Train Elders

- Elders who are able to handle God's Word
  - Able to teach by themselves
  - Read and apply untaught Bible books that were not previously taught by the missionaries.
- Shepherd the Flock
  - Protect the local body from outside influences (cults/false personalities)
  - Protect the local body from internal dissention

#### Pray

- ❖ God would provide elders
- ❖ God would give the elders on Barangonan the confidence and ability to handle His Word
- ❖ Elders would have the strength and wisdom to protect the body from harmful outside influences
- ❖ Elders would be able shepherd and guide the believers into peaceful relationships with each other

### 2. Provide adequate resource material to the believers on Barangonan

- NT and OT portions of translated scripture available and accessible to believers on Barangonan
- Create resource material providing background and explaining hard cultural concepts for specific books in the Bible

#### Pray

- ❖ God would give us the language ability and cultural insights to explain difficult Biblical concepts
- ❖ God would give us insight into areas where there might be confusion

### **3. Local Believers are taught basic Bible study principles**

- Curriculum is developed, and teaching responsibilities are passed on to local believers who can teach by themselves without missionary involvement

#### **Pray**

- ❖ God would raise up capable teachers
- ❖ Believers would gain confidence in their ability to read and understand God's Word

### **4. Connect the local church on Barangonan with other indigenous churches in the area**

#### **Pray**

- ❖ They would be encouraged and strengthened by other believers
- ❖ Through these connections their Christian worldview would be widened

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#### **Pray**

- ❖ That we would be protected from the many different sicknesses around us
- ❖ Encouragement during difficult times
- ❖ That we would have encouragement in times of loneliness
- ❖ That our kids would adjust well to life back on Barangonan