

Dearest Friends and Family,

Hello and Happy Thanksgiving from St. Louis, Missouri! We arrived in the US from Papua New Guinea October 2, just in time to see the glorious Autumn colors - absolutely breathtaking! We are here for 6 short months (time is going by very fast) to see partners in ministry, touch base with family and get some health checkups. We plan to be in Missouri until after the first of the year and then do some traveling.

We are so pleased that we got to vacation for 10 days with Lydia and Aaron on Sanibel Island in Florida. What a great time to all be together again. They are both doing well. Lydia is still teaching piano and clarinet privately, as well as working full time as the Member Secretary for the Kirkwood/Webster Y here in St. Louis. Aaron continues with his job at Friendship Village (a retirement community) and he and his buddy Stephen have just moved into their own house with another roommate, next door to Stephen's parents' home.

Rejoice with us that this last 2-year term in PNG was one of the most rewarding and productive periods of time we've worked among the Uramät Bainings - with audio and video Scripture Use activities, adult literacy, drafting and final checking Scripture in Ura, starting work in 2 other Baining languages and checking for others.

During this furlough period (currently planning to return to PNG in April) via phone, Skype, visits and newsletters, we want to give you an understanding of how we see the Lord leading us in the next 3-5 years, in not only continuing literacy, Scripture use and translation in Ura, but hopefully doing as much as we can of these same activities among at least the Kairak and Mali Baining language communities. Our current plan is to publish the Ura NT (and perhaps Genesis & Exodus as well) mid 2018.

Please continue to pray with us that -

- Boas and Mänsäng will continue with rough draft translation in the village (we are now 80% of the NT in rough draft) and that computer problems will be minor. They are busy men and they are regularly being asked to head up things, preach and advise with church and language/culture related issues. We praise God that Mänsäng finished Romans before we left PNG and told us he plans to continue to translate despite his new responsibility as the director of the Ura Landowners Association. Thank you for your prayers about this - God answered!

- the enthusiasm to read and write in Ura that began among those who attended the Transfer Literacy classes will continue to grow. (See the attached article on adult literacy that was featured in PNG's Post Courier newspaper several months ago.)
- our new work permits and visas will be processed in a timely fashion so that we can return to PNG April 2014.
- God will help us to be wise with our time and finances while here in the US with the inevitable extra expenses incurred with travel/setup/breakdown & medical costs.

We mentioned in our last "Ama Engini" newsletter that we are asking the Lord for a 4WD vehicle when we return to Papua New Guinea next year. We expect to make this purchase from a reputable online company in Japan and have the car shipped directly to Rabaul. Contributions for this can be made to our regular Wycliffe account, by mail or online - please just indicate with your special gift that you want it to be used for a vehicle. (more specific details to come but we anticipate that this will cost about \$25,000.)

We continue to be so blessed by all of you who have prayed for us and supported us for so many years. We serve an amazing God.

With love, thanks and prayers for a most blessed Christmas.

Peggy and for Gary

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