

June 2016

If we were to describe Madang in a few words it would be hot and humid. A few weeks ago Tyler seemed chilled and was wearing a long sleeve shirt. Normally this is a sign that someone is sick. Indeed, he was sick and went home at lunch. Later that day his fever spiked 102 F and the next day it spiked 104 F. This is a new kind of hot. The doctor believed it was influenza so nothing but rest, water, and Advil. Good news is after 4 days Tyler was able to kick the illness and save Emily from getting sick.

The best news of the past month is that the Mborena Kam recording team officially recorded the last verse of the New Testament as of 11:32 a.m. on Wednesday, 25 May. This is just a step in the process and there are still a few more rounds of revisions on the recordings, but nonetheless it is something to celebrate. It is fun to cheer these guys on and affirm them in the work they have been doing. Fidelis, Sam & Thomas have another two weeks of revising recordings based on feedback from the New Testament editing team that has been listening to the recordings to catch mistakes in the flow of the text. These two teams have been working very hard over the past twelve months and are just a few months away from the finish line.

Tyler has not only been out with the flu but has had his hands full with the office file server. The file server has given numerous indications of failure which Tyler was monitoring daily. It happened over the weekend that the motherboard finally quit and the server would not turn on. Tyler had a plan in place and proceeded by copying the data to a new system, a network attached storage. The change went rather smooth and most users did not experience any difficulties. Tyler had the opportunity to record songs in both Tok Pisin and Lao to be used by school teachers for literacy curriculum.

Emily has spent the past month filling in here and there for some of our teammates who had to be out of the office for family reasons, a little R&R, or a transition to the States for home assignment. It seems like we are always juggling a few hats in order to keep things rolling. As always, it makes us appreciate our teammates when they return to their roles.

June will be another month of juggling a bit; Emily will be flying back to Montana on June 1 to attend her brother Ethan's wedding. Tyler will stay in PNG and hold down the fort in more ways than one, as our team directors are out of the country, he will stand in as acting director until Emily returns on June 15, assuming the role until the end of June. Pray for wisdom and discernment for us both during this time. Pray for our director, Brian, as he has opportunities to attend meetings and meet with potential new teammates over the next few weeks.

Pray for safe travels for Emily and a good time of reunions with family and friends. Pray for our physical, mental and spiritual health. Continue praying for us to seek out ways to minister to the community we live in here in Madang. Pray for the Mborena Kam recording team and editing team as they work the next three weeks, praying specifically against the spiritual warfare they are feeling. Pray for our mama, Juli as she is in transition of homes and moving.

Together in Christ,

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