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Greetings from the Madang,

The official count down has begun as I prepare for my departure from PNG. I find myself busy with both work and home life. At work, I have taken over a position that was held previously by a man for 30 years and I am in the process of downsizing my office from a rather spacious and inefficient use of high demand office space to a more manageable and appropriate IT room. At home, I moved into the house that the previous IT Administrator left and been spending my weekends working outside the home. I am trying to get the exterior back in reputable shape: painting, cutting back the garden, adding security lights, and fixing a slow water leak. I am planning on being away from PNG for the rest of 2012, so I know I must tackle these small projects now.

Between all of that, I celebrated my 29th birthday with a pizza party at a local restaurant then played games back at the office. We were planning on continuing the party at another missionaries house but there was no power at their home. I am starting to get depressed as I have entered into my 30th year of life. I will no longer be able to call myself a 20-yr-old-something.

Pacific Rim
East Africa
North Africa
West Africa
South Asia
South East Asia
North Eurasia

It has been a stretching month as my girlfriend, Emily has been away for five weeks now. We are finding email and Skype is the best way to communicate but that still brings about challenges and frustrations to the relationship. We are having to make plans about how to spend our time together once I return to the USA plus many other topics. Being in far away place is just one barrier that we must cross in order for our relationship to grow.

Once I leave Madang, I look forward to visiting my brother in Hawaii for 11 days before making my way to mainland USA. From there I will be visiting Emily's family in Montana before bringing Emily to the Midwest to meet my family and friends. I look forward to the many great things to happen as God continues to guide and direct our lives together.

I am reminded daily that I am on the front lines of battle and must not forget to equip myself for spiritual warfare. One attack lately was the ticket I booked from Australia to Hawaii. The airline went bankrupt thus causing me to seek charge-back and alternative flight arrangements. The evil one is still attacking us and trying to knock us off course. One missionary woman in the office, had her purse stolen twice in a span of two weeks. The evil one looks for any opportunity to distract us or achieve his goal of making us 'un-Christlike'.

Please continue to pray for me and my final three weeks in PNG. Pray that my time will be fruitful, healthy, and safe. I have much to do before I leave and I want to leave with peace in my heart that there will be no questions or fears raised after I leave.

Together in Christ,

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