Pioneer Bible Translators

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Greetings from Beautiful Madang!

What is that sound or lack of sound we ask ourselves? That is the sound of no house guests. By the middle of August we had no house guests and it was just the two of us at last. From December through August we hosted four individuals with about a one month break. We enjoy hosting individuals as we are blessed with a nice home and plenty of space.

Our last two guests (Bob and Andy), who were here to work on the building project left in the middle of August. Their part of the project was completed as promised. It was truly a blessing for both of them to come and bless our branch with their skills and talents in construction. The project is not complete though the end is in sight. We are in the home stretch as the electricians are making their final connections and we are painting the interior. As always, the finish seems to be the slowest part of the process. We are hopeful to have one apartment occupied by mid-September.

As the saying goes, 'there is no rest for the wicked as the righteous doesn't need any' still holds true for us as well. We are headed back to Gandep Bible College, Sept 4 - 14. This will be Emily's seventh and Tyler's second time. The one week course will be centered on Bible Storying. We will also be accompanied by another couple (Jim and Joni) going for their first time. Jim is a former pastor and now serving in the role of Scripture Impact and Joni serves in the finance office. It will be a great experience to introduce them to another aspect of PBT's ministry in PNG.

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

It is a long journey to Gandep. In total, four days of travel will be required for our roundtrip via car, boat, and tractor. Though the journey is long, it is breathtaking. As times have been busy for us in town, we are looking forward for the little escape back to the bush of PNG. We look forward to reuniting with some of our students from before and meeting the new enrolled students. Our friends Manis and Ksak, who came and assisted Tyler in the maintenance role earlier in the year, live at Gandep and we look forward to catching up with them while we are there.

The Mborena Kam translation team is working with our colleague Martha this month on fine tuning their New Testament for publication. This is a slow process and demands close attention to all the small details. Pray for Steven, Denny, Fidelis, Milton and Martha as they work here in PNG and for our colleague Lori, as she works from California typesetting. Pray for good communication between all parties and for the safety of the men's families while they are away from home.

Later this month our team will be gathering for our annual spiritual retreat. Please pray for renewal of spirit, mind, and soul for our team. Pray for us as we teach at Gandep and interact with our students, pray we will be an encouragement to them. Pray for our journey to and from Gandep. Pray for safety for Juli (our haus meri) as she stays in our house while we are gone. Pray for spiritual protection for those working on the typesetting of the Mborena Kam New Testament.

Together in Christ,

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