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YOUR MISSIONARIES TO PAPUA NEW GUINEA

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STEP BY STEP

The past two months have been filled with **PLANTING, BUILDING, AND DRILLING**.

We are experiencing a great dry spell here in Papua New Guinea. In our area particularly, the swamps, creeks, and gardens are all dried up. Bush fires are all around us making it difficult for some to breathe. People are worried about their futures. Though droughts are tragic, they are a reminder of the frailty of life and eternality of the soul. Our people's first response, *unfortunately*, is to look to the government for answers, help, or blame. It is our job to point them to God, His Word, and faith in both.

Through Baptist Drillers, we have been planting seeds for the Gospel in rural villages for the past 10 years. As I travel on our "highway" through some of the most remote villages in the country, we see people surviving from these water bores. Their doors are wide open for Gospel ministry. The prayer of our Lord comes to mind…

> **The harvest truly is great**, but the labourers are few: **pray ye** therefore the Lord of the harvest, **that he would send forth labourers** into his harvest.

No doubt, this drought is causing concern. May God use use us to bring them the hope of *eternal* salvation.

Morehead Baptist Fellowship

Our fellowship of believers continues to grow week by week. Now we have **a body of baptized believers**. I will begin teaching through our doctrinal statement in November and we anticipate organizing the fellowship into a church early next year. Thank you for your large investment of prayer and support to see this church born near the Indonesian border in Morehead!



Baptist Drillers

We continue to be overwhelmed with the cries of villages in need for us to drill in, especially because of the drought. We have recently completed drilling 9 more in the Morehead area

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and are shifting our equipment and materials to the Wipim area to drill again in 8-10 more villages there. If you are interested in helping, our team will be drilling again from the end of October into November.

Shipments

I will not bore you with the details, though it has been a trial for us, our shipping containers are finally on the move. We just received the first one this week in Daru. Two others will be loaded in the next couple of days bound for a direct journey to Morehead. An added blessing is that a side-lifter will be on the ship this can move these containers off the ship and close to where we need them to be. Without this, we would have to unload all the contents, drag the 20' containers up the river bank and then reload them again! We are grateful.



Once the containers arrive with building materials and tools, I will begin to build a house for Ana and me to live in. Recently we finished our donga (small building) and drilled a water bore for the future Bible School. If you would like to help us build the house, we sure could use the help! Please email me if you are interested.



Family Updates:

Libby is now ministering in the highlands of PNG with the Chad Wells family, while continuing to wait for her normal mission's visa.

Titus and Citlali now have three children, 2 boys and one girl. We miss them dearly!

Ruth and Aneesh, who got married in March, are looking forward to the birth of their firstborn in January.

Joy has begun her second year at Commonwealth Baptist College and is very active in ministry.

David has begun his first year at Heartland Baptist Bible College and is figuring things out as a freshman.



Expecting an Harvest,

Jason and Ana Russell