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Assisting Church Planters in Papua New Guinea

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Thank you for praying for me as I've been on an extended visit to my mission field since August! As I prepare to resubmit paperwork for my missionary visa, I'm thankful that my current short-term visa made it possible to arrive in Papua New Guinea and and start acclimating to the Pangia Ministry Team and the Pidgin language. This visa ran out in early October, so I left PNG for a few days to renew it and then returned once the new visa was approved.

My current weightiest role is being dorm mom for our mission station girls home. **I need prayer** for God's love and wisdom every moment of every day as I seek to point them to the Lord, God's Word, and their earthly authorities. Several of them have made important decisions for Christ this month! It's such a privilege to watch God at work in ways only He could orchestrate! I'm humbled that He lets me be a part of this ministry.

In addition to working in our ACE school, I was asked to teach a weekly devotion every Wednesday afternoon for our 4th-12th grade girls. Taking them through a study of Proverbs 31 and Biblical examples of virtuous women has been such a valuable learning experience for me! I pray the students were impacted by these truths as well. **Please pray** for our ACE school graduation on October 30th, and our Bible school graduation on November 1st.

Please pray for spiritual fruit in our new 4th-6th grade Sunday school class, which Mrs. Kirsten Wells and I just started at our main church plant. We are currently tag teaming, with the goal of training a couple of national ladies to take the class in the future. Several weeks ago, I taught my first full Sunday school lesson in Pidgin!

Our whole Team is getting ready to participate in Campaigns for Christ, an annual evangelistic outreach that will be held in Lae from November 9–20. I am currently involved in practicing special music with our youth choir and girls groups, to sing in the evening services. **Please pray** for salvations, safety, and logistics during this two-week-long outreach! Besides our group of missionaries and national Christians, around thirty people are flying in from other countries to serve in this event.

Thank you for supporting me in prayers and giving so that I can obey the Lord's call to go. God bless you!

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School Girls Devotion



4th-6th Grade Class



Youth Choir for Campaigns

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