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Missionaries to Papua New Guinea



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Dear co-laborers in Christ,

I have been waiting to write you all until after the special meetings we had when Jeremy and Jennifer Taylor and their children came to visit us in Karimui. It sure was wonderful to get to see them all, especially our new grandson, Joshua, who we hadn't met until then.

The meetings started on Wednesday evening, Aug. 17, and went through Sunday evening. Those were busy days. Pastor Kimin and the men of the church opened up the front of the church and extended the seating area of the church building with a canvas roof overhead. That accommodated all that came to the meetings. In the mornings on Thursday and Friday, we had devotions in the morning and then Pastor Vitus Koma, whom I disciplined in Gumine when we lived there, preached a message. After a short break, I taught the men while Carol and Jennifer taught the ladies. In the evening Pastor Taylor preached through an interpreter. On Saturday, Pastor Gibson Anawari preached in the morning and we had a big mumu (meal cooked in the ground) in the afternoon. On Sunday morning, Pastor Taylor preached and Pastor Clement preached in the evening service. There were 31 people who were dealt with about salvation and scores who came to pray as God dealt with their hearts. It was a wonderful, exciting and tiring time of God working among us.

One of the days, Pastor Taylor had the privilege of killing one of the pigs to be cooked for the people. He did well and the people were much impressed with that. A highlight for all involved.

We left Karimui on Friday, Aug. 26, to return to Goroka. They weren't scheduled to fly out of Goroka and return to Oklahoma until Wednesday, but I was worried about the weather and didn't want them to miss their flights home. On Wednesday we got to the airport in Goroka and they were checked in for a 4:50 PM flight to Port Moresby, and connecting flights to the USA on Thursday early. A little after 5:00 PM, Air Niugini announced that their flight had been cancelled until the next day, causing them all to miss their connecting flights. It looked like a real disaster, but we all committed it to our Heavenly Father. Once again, God used what looked like a disaster to show His power. In Port Moresby, they talked with the customer service person and at the last minute, Air Niugini agreed to pay for a room for them overnight in Brisbane and put them on a flight back to Dallas the next day, at no extra charge. We truly serve an awesome God!

Thank you so much for your prayers and support. I expect my letter won't be so long in coming.

Your missionaries in PNG,

David and Carol Holland

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