



Luther & Martha Smith

Missionaries to Papua New Guinea

January 2013

Dear Pastor and Praying Friends,

We rejoice in the beginning of another year in the Lord's service. Our prayer is that you all had a blessed Christmas and a glorious New Year. As the New Year begins we will be making ready to return for a short six-month furlough.

As we look back on 2012 we finished with several big events. On December 2, our students at the Bible school graduated, with all looking forward to starting churches in their own villages. Please pray for them as they begin their own ministry for the Lord.



Graduates of the Bible School in Wau

On December 5, Wau Christian School had their school closing and the students performed for their parents and church. It was a special moment for the students, teachers and especially for Martha, as Principal and head teacher of the school. The majority of the students excelled this year. It was a closing of a great year for all.

On December 26-28, a Christmas Youth Camp was held at the Bible school. The theme this year was "Called by His Example," I Peter 2:21. There were 70 young people to attend the meeting and we rejoice to say that 4 were saved during this time. Martha and I taught in a split session on Friday. It is always a joy to speak to the youth and to encourage them to walk after the Lord and to follow

in his footsteps regardless of the pressures of this world.



Girls Youth Group at Camp

Our furlough will begin near the end of January 2013. We are looking forward to being with as many of our supporting churches as possible along the East Coast. Pray for us as we make preparations to leave the field. Even though we are going to be gone a short time, we will have to pack up most of our things for safety sake. Pray with us that God will direct us throughout our furlough, as our desire is to be a blessing to others and to encourage the furtherance of worldwide missions.

Special Prayer Requests:

- ❖ New enrollment for Bible School
- ❖ Teacher Training at Wau Christian School
- ❖ Selection of new pastor at Wau Baptist Church in 2013
- ❖ Continued growth and steadfastness of Youths in Wau
- ❖ Martha's Dad, Junior Campbell—treatment is working on his cancer—this is PRAISE!
- ❖ Team Missionary, Karen Marvin, on deputation to raise support to join us in 2014.
- ❖ Resident Visas still pending—PRAY!

Thank you for allowing us to be your ambassadors.

Yours for Papua New Guinea,

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