



Luther & Martha Smith

Missionaries to Papua New Guinea

July 2013

Dear Pastor and Praying Friends,

Greetings in Jesus name to all our friends and prayer partners. How thankful I am for all the faithful ones whom God has raised up to help us in doing His great work in Papua New Guinea.

Remember Martha and me as we continue to report on the ministry there, with just a few weeks left to do this. The Lord has blessed during our short furlough with being in several new churches, as well as revisiting many supporting churches. This is always an encouragement to us as well.

On August 8 we will leave Dallas, TX, for our 15-hour non-stop flight to Brisbane, AU. Then we connect our flight to Port Moresby, PNG, and connect again to land in Lae where we will stay for a few days before heading back to Wau and our 4-hour drive. Before all this begins we will be packing and finishing last minute details of our life here. The list increases daily! Before our travel begins, we must pack up supplies and have them shipped to PNG. Crates are packed and waiting for pickup. That is a blessing!

We have two special projects that we are praying for. First is the need for a better vehicle on the field. Please pray that the Lord will touch hearts to help with this great need. **If you feel led to assist in this project, just mark as Car Fund.** Also we are building a small apartment onto our house for Karen Marvin to live and be close to the school. She hopes to be on the field working with us by mid-2014. **If you feel led to contribute with this building project, just mark funds "KM Apartment."** We know the Lord will use her greatly with our students, teachers and church.

In June we finally were able to make a trip to see our daughter, Joanna, and her precious girls. We knew they had grown, but WOW! Yes, those girls are growing up fast and it was a joy to be with them once again.

We wanted to thank the churches that have helped us by increasing our monthly support. If there were

others who could also do this, it would aid in covering the crunch of the devaluation of the US\$ in Papua New Guinea, as well as the increase of so many things there and stateside. We do know that God will supply our every need and will continue to keep us on the field He has called us to! Praise the Lord for He is all sufficient!

Special Prayer Requests:

- ❖ New support needed due to devaluation of US\$
- ❖ Safety while traveling—continued good health
- ❖ Bible School
- ❖ Selection of new pastor at Wau Baptist Church
- ❖ Growth and steadfastness of Youths in Wau
- ❖ Martha's Dad, Junior Campbell—Good report and now in 2nd course of chemo—2 of 4 finished
- ❖ Martha's Mom, Betty Campbell-fractured neck on May 26 and has been in rehab
- ❖ Team Missionary, Karen Marvin, on deputation to raise support to join us in 2014—at 50%
- ❖ Pastor Tania Tia—failing health

**Please make note of our new email address is lnmsmith@smiths2png.com. Our mobile phone number while stateside is (757) 298-4177.

We rejoice in what the Lord is doing for us here in the States, as well as in Papua New Guinea. Thank you for allowing us to be your ambassadors.

Yours for Papua New Guinea,

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