

Update May 11th 2013

As always there is so much to update you on and so much to pray for!

“And the things you have heard me say in the presence of many witnesses entrust to reliable men who will also be qualified to teach others.”

“Do you best to present yourself before God as one approved, a workman who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the word of truth” 2 Timothy 2:2; 15



❖ **Praise God for the Preaching Workshop**

An exhausting but exhilarating week!

130 came from 8 districts. David spoke powerfully at the right level. *“Course was clear to understand – we all grabbed something”* *“This preaching method is good – it is accessible to laymen”*

The sermons from 2 Timothy were powerful and touched many. Some of those involved in false teaching were there – pray they will return to the truth. 17 preaching groups were set up – many of which have met already and seem keen. Pray they will all continue to meet and practise what they learned – otherwise it will be wasted.

Praise God the 2 Timothy books came in time. So they all have a copy which includes the method.

They were hungry for books - the bookstall was very popular – sold K2000!

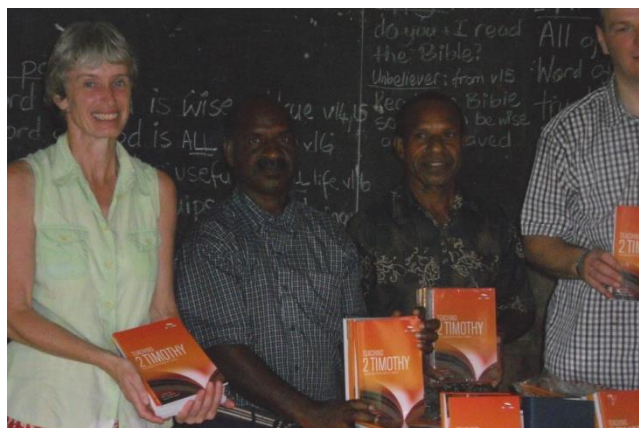
Many thanks for your prayers – God heard and answered!



- ❖ Praise God **Sewoknai** continues on with God. Its encouraging to see his interest in God’s word. Sana has not met with him, but I share and pray with him about twice a week at the moment. We had fellowship meal with his family this week where they were able to say sorry to each other.
- ❖ Praise God for the **Baptism classes** with 13 CHW students – with Pr Dim and Libi. These are so encouraging. The last session helped to show 4 or 5 that maybe have not yet taken the step of commitment to Christ, but are interested. Pray that as we go through 5 more lessons there will be clear understanding. Pray Dim and Libi will feel equipped and ready to do the next set of baptism classes. We are following a book that all the students prepare first and come. On Wednesday (15th) I meet with Dim and Libi to evaluate, and then go through the next lesson – which is about renouncing ties and involvement with magic and sorcery. Pray it will be a releasing time for them- and later for the students when we meet with them.
- ❖ Praise God for **new leaders** elected for the district, and also in Briompenai church (where I usually go) Pray they will be godly leaders who seek first the kingdom of God. I’m encouraged that there may be opportunities to do some studies with these leaders and help them to grow. Pray for God to make the right time and way.
- ❖ Praise God for rain and power (after some glitches with both it makes us more thankful!)

- Pray for the busy time ahead – feel like I’m juggling lots of things!
- Pray for **Trainers workshop for Who is God** from 20th – 25th for 5 women leaders. I’ve not worked with them before, so don’t know their skills. I’ve asked them to prepare one lesson and come. Pray for wisdom as I prepare this week for that. Pray as we give feedback to each other and try to get ready for the July workshop for the Middle and South Fly leaders. It’s easier to teach than teach others to teach! Feedback and evaluation is not something they are used to.
- **Rural Training Course preparation** on Friday (17th) “Put *things right*” is the next course we are doing. I need to prepare some training notes for this ready for our meeting. Please pray for the books to be ready in time- - courses start on June 3rd.
- 15th – 18th Women meetings in Kiunga to talk about the **Handbook and Policy** and plan for workshops (I’m not going to these , but its a good chance to meet the Women Ministry Coordinators after if possible)
- Planning for the Kiunga High School teaching on **unplanned pregnancy**
- Then there’s hospitality – 9 people arriving on Tues and Wed, chasing up lost books and my lost passport, organising printing of books and making sure they get to the right places at the right times, people dropping by

What a privilege to be involved in the Lord’s work together. Thank you for holding up my hands by your prayers. It’s encouraging to see God working.



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