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I was challenged once again this week to live a life that makes a difference when my devotions led me to the Book of James. Faith without works is dead...evidence in our lives that what we have believed has made us truly NEW CREATURES in Chris is integral as we walk with GOD! As I have written in my Bible, " my life may be the only Bible some people ever read"!

Our ministry here in PNG brings many opportunities for us to live out Christ-like love as we all partner together.

Little Moses' family was really struggling. Despite exclusive feedings with only desperately needed occasional "rescue bottles", Serah truly endeavored to be able to get enough milk supply for the needs of her very demanding little two month old boy! After two weeks, medicine to increase milk production, high protein and increased fluid diet... sugarcane...you name it, we tried it...but our little man was desperate and his family at the brink of despair. Serah was totally exhausted as hungry Moses screamed day and night . We all felt the best option for all was for

Moses to return to our care until solids can sustain him. The Prince is back!! He is slowly settling into our routine again...his poor gut gone from starvation slowly to feeds again is adjusting well. Pray as God has opened the door for us to live our lives clearly before the families of our two precious babies now! We have shared the Gospel with them many times ....now they just need to SEE it. With tears streaming down her face that afternoon she left her hungry baby in our home again, a relieved mommy , Serah, just poured out her heart. "I have nothing to give you that could ever repay all you have done for us". No...but I have something ...SOMEONE...I want you to receive!! PRAY.

IT has been exciting to see lives we have impacted have impact on others as well. One

man, John, came to our clinic over a year ago. HE had been a long time user of buai (bettlenut) which is a huge cause of mouth cancer here in PNG. When he came with a huge ulcer in his mouth and enlarged neck lymph nodes I had great concerns that his time may be limited. I referred him quickly for biopsy and review at the cancer center in Lae, but before he left, I took time to share the GOSPEL message with him and I encouraged him to prepare his life for possible death. Death, after all, is just a beginning not an end. When I saw his wife DRESSED all in black this week I knew the cancer had won. What I did not anticipate was her radiant joy...hugs and gift of flowers!! Her husband did receive Christ as his Savior that day and the hard months to follow were actually some of the most amazing ones of all their years together as Christ not only changed John inside out but his testimony brought his whole family, including their teenaged kids, to Christ!! The power of faith lived out... in death!! I had two more mouth cancer suspects this week...praying God repeats that amazing work in their lives, too as I fear they also will not have much time left before their eternity begins.

How amazing to see transformed lives!! It was so cool to visit Lower Bena Baptist Church again...many that came to Christ as we started that church are still there , though some have gone away and come back a time or two! With our dear Pastor Luha struggling to deal with their young teen daughter's sin and now unwanted pregnancy they are hurting. The timing of Bill's hand injury and our limitation of "no rough roads" (VERY limiting for our church planting ministry and life here in the land of "I wish I could drive ON ROAD!!") has opened the opportunity now for us to come back to them and help while Pastor takes a leave of absence to work through their family needs. May we be a living example of merciful help showing loving restoration for Marcia and loving help for their wounded and hurting family.

Now as graduation week is upon us, we have the joy of seeing how far God has brought our students...now graduates and soon Pastors!! One young man really sweated it out...last class...last test squeaked him to graduate. HE has been here for five years now. Though his heart and ministry desire is amazing...you have to pass classes to complete Bible College. All of us as teachers have prayed and worked with this sweet young man!! What a joy to have him at our home as we staff and faculty celebrated the graduating student's accomplishment and took time to pray last night For God's blessing and protection for them as they go out. Dobo had the biggest plate of food of them all...he deserved it!! All the stress took a lot out of him...he wanted to do some replacing!! How great to see these coworkers now join us in the field of labor here. Their theme they choose for graduation...STAND IN THE GAP!!! May they do just that!!

Standing in the gap is not only a challenge for our PNG partners...we have a few gaps URGENTLY NEEDING TO BE FILLED!!. Bill talked with the Principal of Numonohi Christian Academy this week...still no leads of teachers willing to come. So many kids needing a teacher from families like ours who have surrendered to come fill the gaps bringing the Gospel to our needy Land of PNG. All of us have trusted GOD and come by faith...pray as our kids need HIS INTERVENTION to speak to teachers hearts for THEM

ALSO to fill the gaps at school so we can each do the task of God's calling. Pray for GOD to stir the right hearts and for the teachers to be willing to COME. PLEASE be ready with us to provide the support needed for these teachers to come and serve this next year. As we pray, send and come....the needs will be filled. THE gaps will be covered...and GOD will keep us all in the battle field of our calling!! The school here NEEDS to make decisions for next year by FEBURARY! TIME Is running out!! PLEASE SOMEONE COME!!!!

As we stand in the GAP...live our lives out loud for CHRIST....make a difference to the world around us....our lives honor GOD!! WE are SO thankful for you all that stand the gap with us. Your lives lived out through our ministries are making impact beyond what we can fully see from this side of eternity! THANKS. Please join us in prayer this week that we may see GOD move mountains and impact lives.

PRAISE with US:

\*Andrew is now officially an airplane mechanic. It was a rough road for him with computer issues and frustrating delays, but he passed the very first time!! AMAZING! GOD has truly put HIS HAND of blessing upon our son. Andrew loves GOD and truly desires to serve HIM FULLY...and GOD is being glorified through Andrew for sure! HE thanks all for praying for him. Saturday we celebrated 22 amazing years with Andrew , tears just had to flow as we praise GOD for the way HE has molded and transformed the life of our son...this amazing man...we admire, love and are eager to minister on the field WITH HIM someday if GOD desires!! HOW COOL is THAT??!!

\*Esta continues to heal. He wound not totally closed yet, but better than last time. I think Mommy may give it a try next as the areas not well approximated are now small enough for local anesthetics to numb during repair. No infection....no more pain....answered prayer!!

\*The huge dump of snow missed Lori's parents and our NY kids!! Here we have hot....rainy and green...amazing tropical paradise...SO WISHING we could send some of it to the cold snowy NORTH!

PRAY WITH US:

\*Bill's hand is still a big concern. They are waiting for one more week to see if the bones will heal on their own...if not intervention internationally will be needed. They told him to move it...and it looks HORIBLE now with bruising, swelling and pain....but if that bone will move we want it to move NOW so we can see! PRAY for wisdom and open doors. Our insurance covers really well overseas but in the USA we have high premiums...so we are seeking help on this side of the world if possible. If we can not find help needed internationally, Bill may need to make that expensive trip home to the USA. Though he would dread the snow ...grandkids and kids would warm his heart...ha! WE just really need GOD to make HIS plan clear to us!

\*Pastors conference starts ...NOW!! The huge tents are up....the food is

purchased....now we just need PEOPLE to come!! WE have many high level government people and many Pastors and others that have made a commitment to come to graduation....but our heart is to be a blessing and for us to see a real surge of cooperation and unity with our PNG churches THIS WEEK during the meetings. PRAY for GOD's power to be unleashed in our midst!!

\*Pray for our little "twins", Esta and Moses...for GOD to use their lives and our ministry with them to open the hearts of their families and village!

\*Pray for our graduates, for our students traveling...and for GOD to fill our campus with amazing students on fire for CHRIST this next year!!

\*Our families here are hurting...their teens are struggling with pressures of the very ungodly school system....we need CAMP!!!!

PRAY for good weather...with SUN in the day and RAIN at night

PRAY for adequate food and supplies and good health for the kids and

GREAT FUN

PRAY for open hearts and GOD's work in the lives of our teens!!

PARTNER with US...we need GOD to provide \$5000 to cover the cost above the camp fees! WE need people willing to send a kid that can not afford it to camp (\$30 PER KID)

PRAY THE KIDS INTO CAMP THIS YEAR!!!! We need to reach our next generation...they are slipping away. STAND in this big gap with us!

\*Pray for the medical container....we need it here.....!! PRAY for fast safe and uncomplicated transition for the container through customs and for fast safe arrival in GOROKA!!

\*PRAY FOR TEACHERS TO COME STAND IN THE GAP FOR OUR MANY PRECIOUS MK'S!!!!!!

Living out LOUD....standing in the gaps.....seeking to be HIS LIGHTS to illuminate the darkness. Your partnership has been amazing! THANKS for making a difference as we stand together for HIM!

NO restraints...NO retreats...NO REGRETS!!!!

Bill, Lori the boys and the "twin blessings"

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