



Greetings! He is Risen!

First of all, THANK YOU for your prayers and support on our last mission trip to Papua New Guinea. We arrived back in early March but many things have proceeded to get in our way of communicating to you how grateful we are to be your “hands and feet extended”! Our hearts and spirits were renewed to see God working in many miraculous ways. We had no idea that this reminder of God’s faithfulness would be needed shortly after we returned to the US. This newsletter is a little LENGTHY, but we believe that it will encourage your hearts to believe for the miraculous! Now for recap of our last trip.....

We arrived in the village we lived in for 2 years in the midst of revival! There has been an all-night prayer meeting in the church across the street. I was awaked by the sounds of their voices and their intense prayer and praise, it really humbles me. It’s amazing they are mostly teenage boys. At one point they broke out in a Jewish tune which was given to them by the spirit God. As I sit here I feel like weeping. It is so sweet!

Resurrection testimony !

During the week of Christmas 2019 the Foursquare churches in East New Britain held a Youth camp with the theme of "Fresh Wind, Fresh Fire." There the youth experienced tremendous revival. The last day of the camp the youth went to the Kokopo market and held an evangelistic rally with a worship band where hundreds of people stopped and worshiped and heard the Gospel. Many were saved. Following the outreach, the youth held all night prayer meetings in their churches.

At the same time, a man in Ralabung village was sick and he went to two hospitals and the Dr.'s sent him home to die because they said they could do nothing for him. A week after the youth camp the man died. The family and village had gathered to mourn in the torrential rain. Some of the youth who went to the camp said “let us pray for him” and sent word out to the Foursquare youth to gather and pray. One of the youth named Danny Lanis was sent for. Before he left the house his mother, Pastor Rudolpha, received a word from the Lord saying "He will rise up." This young man left the house with the confidence and faith God will do great things. In the pouring rain he walked in the dark to the house where the dead man was. During this time he felt intense spiritual warfare to the point that he felt he would collapse at the door. He pressed through and entered the house where the family and friends were gathered in mourning. He could feel a heavy oppressive spirit of death in the room. The man had been dead and cold for two hours. The youth gathered around him and began to pray. After two hours, suddenly a powerful presence of peace filled the room, the dead man broke into a sweat, and sat up alive! He ate and drank water for the first time in days. Word spread throughout the village of God’s mighty power! Ever since, the churches in the area have been packed with those who are repenting. The all night prayer meetings continue every Friday and Saturday night, and the Christians are now going from house to house praying for the sick and leading people to Christ.

After interviewing Alois (the dead man) we encouraged him to share his testimony about his “second chance” in life. So we brought Alois with us to an outreach in the Bining area. We spent some time training the leaders and pastors of 2 churches, and then had the privilege to see Alois share. The transformation was visible! As he

spoke he became bolder and more confident. I loved seeing the reactions of the crowd. You could hear a pen drop as he spoke, their eyes were all riveted on him. We returned exhausted but so excited to see what God was going to do with Alois!

The next day we flew to the National Leaders Convention in Port Moresby. We were blessed to stay in a nice hotel with a "HOT" shower and a thrift store across the street !!!! (Where I was able to find some great deals to bless some of our pastors with new shirts for less than 2 dollars!) Our main purpose to attend the convention was to connect with the PNG missionaries and set up a schedule of visitation and training. We were able to sit down, pray, and spend time with the missionaries. Many tears and hardships were shared with us. Please pray for them as they carry the torch in the South Pacific!

The convention was Fantastic! They truly take advantage of the time for the Pastors and Leaders for teaching... we started at 8 30 am, ended at 3:30 ( no break ) in between. And they resumed again at 6:00 PM to 11:30.. this was for 3 days!!! After the convention was over we had some Discipleship Leadership Training for 2 days.

On a personal note...

We are held up "Sheltering in place" like the rest of the world since returning in March. The first week back we attended training for first Responders for Foursquare Disaster Relief. Upon returning to the farm, our governor announced that we all should shelter in place. So 2 of our mission trips have been postponed until fall.

It's never dull on the Bickley farm. 142 acers of never ending work. So in the mean time we have rototilled the garden, transplanted 3 rows of raspberries, landscaped the yard, split two cords of wood, cut down three trees for fire wood, trimmed the fruit trees, attempted cleaning the brush and fallen trees from the creek beds, graded our road up the mountain, cleaned out the chicken coup for six baby chicks, attempted to organize our 60 foot shop, changed the snow tires on the vehicles and... the work goes on and on and... I don't think we have noticed that there is shelter in place, with spring work here!

Sheltering in place can be difficult for everyone, so we placed notes on all of our neighbors mailboxes offering to help them if they have any need. We have received many phone calls from neighbors that we do not know thanking us for reaching out to them. I can't wait to have a party after this is over !!!

Truly, we have missed fellowship with others. So, spur of the moment, one of our neighbors asked if they could meet with us for an Easter sunrise service on our mountain. They built and brought a large cross for the service. Rumors went out amongst the neighbors that we were having a service and 31 showed up! Many of them did not know the Lord. It was so cold (24 degrees) but wonderful. We provided cinnamon rolls, apple cobbler, hot chocolate and coffee and enjoyed social distanced fellowship with everyone !

Thanks again for your support and Prayers!

Remember God is in control! And in these HARD times look for opportunities to share the love of God, because there are more people willing to respond to the gospel than there are those willing to share the gospel.

Love Keith and Cindy

