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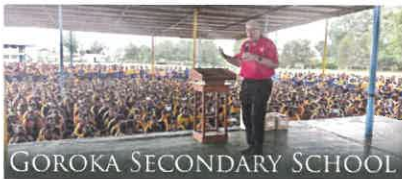
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Please forgive me for the lateness of this prayer letter and update. I had plans to get it out sooner, but I have had some recent medical issues. On Saturday, August 20, I arrived in the States intending to be home for a short period. The next morning, instead of attending church, I was taken to the Emergency Room (ER) with a diagnosis of a perforated colon. I was admitted to the hospital for observation in hopes by the surgeon that the perforation would seal itself. On Tuesday morning after another CT scan and with an increase of symptoms, I was prepared for an emergency surgery for a Colectomy, removing 8-10 inches of my colon. I spent nine days in the hospital and now I am at home for recovery. According to the doctors, I will be able to return to Papua New Guinea (PNG) by October 1, which is when the 100,000 Bibles should be arriving into the port of PNG. God's timing is always perfect in allowing me to arrive home when I did to receive medical care. It is amazing to look and see how God orchestrated it all, including giving me a Christian ER doctor on call who had been on several mission trips and was a born again Christian surgeon that prayed early on Tuesday for guidance on how to proceed with my treatment. I am so grateful that our steps are ordered by the LORD.

I received the following message from National Pastor Fred Gaho of Exodus Baptist Church in Mt. Hagen.

"Praise the Lord, a soul saved today through the phone. A student from Tari town called, I lead her to the Lord and she accepted Christ with tears and was so happy that she got saved. I spent two hours to explain some of her questions and she understood so well. Pray for this young girl that she will grow in the Lord through the Word. Brother Alan Brooks, thanks for bringing the Bibles into the country. God bless you."

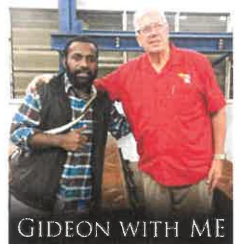
This young lady called Pastor Gaho from the city of Tari in the province of Hela. She courageously made a phone call to someone she did not know to learn how to be saved. To me this is a clear evidence of the Holy Spirit working in the heart of a young person. This town has no Baptist church at this time, so all of the Bibles that were given out in that area were stamped with the contact of one of the closest churches, which sadly is six to eight hours away from the area where she lives. What a tremendous need and opportunity for a soul winning church to be started to reach and disciple this new generation!



GOROKA SECONDARY SCHOOL

In early August, we were asked to distribute Bibles at one of the top universities in the country. This university has a matriculation of 4,000 students and only allows the brightest and smartest young people in the country to attend. I spoke multiple times giving the Gospel message to the students and each person was given a Bible. At one meeting of male students, 20 young men asked to receive Christ as their Savior. On Friday night, I was asked to speak at a Christian fellowship meeting on campus. A young man, Gideon, who is a last year physics major, came forward to

trust Christ as his Savior. He is also from Tari town in Hela where there is no Baptist church. He and I have continued to correspond concerning the things of God. His hunger for the Bible and desire to grow in Christ are so encouraging.



GIDEON WITH ME

Missionary Mickey Schrimshire, who has traveled with me many times to PNG, prepared a very special Gospel tract for the country. Over 10,000 were shipped and they have been gladly received as we have distributed them around the country. Also, a church in Columbus, North Carolina, printed and shipped 10,000 Gospels of John and Epistles of Romans to be given out in the jails and prisons.

We also received 500,000 Gospel tracts from Fellowship Tract League in Ohio because of a generous donation from a donor in Pennsylvania. We do not always know when the harvest is going to come but God will reap His harvest in His time. God's Word promises it will not return void.

Please pray for us as we have distributed approximately 960,000 of the one million Bibles that have been sent to the country. We have bought and paid for another 100,000 more Bibles that are presently being shipped to the country. God's people have been so generous to help make this project happen. This will bring our total to 1.1 million Bibles!



JOHN & ROMANS



LAE PRIMARY SCHOOL



GOSPEL TRACT

#### PRAYER REQUESTS

1. That the door stays open to distribute the Bibles with the change in the government due to the election
2. That the hearts of the young people in PNG will continue to be open to receive the Gospel
3. That God will call someone to start a Gospel-preaching church in areas of need like the city Tari in Hela
4. For safety and God's protecting hand as we travel to the schools
5. For my continued healing during recovery

As William Carey said, "I go to mine for souls, but you at home must hold the ropes." From the bottom of our hearts, we thank those of you who have held the ropes through earnest prayer and financial giving to make this project possible.

Sincerely,

Alan and Donna Brooks

Therefore, behold, I will proceed to do a marvellous work among this people, even a marvellous work  
Isaiah 29:14