



## *Luther & Martha Smith*

*Missionaries to Papua New Guinea*

*December 2018*

Dear Pastor and Praying Friends,

That special time of the year has arrived again when we celebrate the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ. The blessings of this past year are too many to be able to count, and we rejoice in what the Lord has done for the Smith family. We want to thank each of our churches and friends for your support you have given to us through your prayers and giving. We know we could not remain here without you. Truly you are a blessing from the Lord!

December is a month of closings here in PNG. Martha and the Wau Christian School held their school closing at the end of November with a big party as well as a special program, "Walk in the Spirit," they presented at Wau Baptist Church. Also, all of our Religious Instruction classes closed in our public schools with a combined meeting with Pastor Biru from Free Grace Baptist as the speaker. This was another opportunity to present the Gospel to many who would never hear!

This month Baptist Bible Training Center will have their graduation and five families will leave to return to their villages to start other Baptist churches. We will be having Evangelist Paul Schwanke from America as the special speaker for the graduation. The meetings will be held December 3-5. Pray for these students that they may go out in the strength of the Lord to reach their people for Christ!

As we draw to the close of 2018, we are looking forward to continuing the Lord's work again in 2019! Pray for us as we go through the "open doors" before us. We need His continual strength, wisdom, and direction. Also remember to pray for our leaders in Papua New Guinea. They need the leadership of the Lord as well.

Rejoice with us in the great work our Saviour continues to do in the hearts and lives of the multitudes around the world! May we continue to reach the lost until He returns again! May God richly bless you all during this Christmas Season as we all celebrate the birth of our Saviour!

***Merry Christmas from our home to yours!***

Yours for Papua New Guinea,

***Luther and Martha***

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