

March 2018

Luther and Martha Smith

Missionaries to Papua New Guinea



Praise the Lord! We arrived back in Papua New Guinea on March 1. What a trip! On February 26, we departed from Norfolk, VA, to Reagan Airport in DC. From there we flew to Los Angeles in CA. With little more than two hours, we caught the Qantas flight to Brisbane, Australia where we spent one night and the next morning we caught Air Niugini to Port Moresby and then finally landed in Lae to be met by our missionary friends, Stan and Tresa Rowe. After spending a few days in Lae—resting and grocery shopping for items needed—we finally returned to Wau after a 4 hour drive where we began not only unpacking our suitcases but unpacking everything we had crated up before we left for the States! Wow! We are glad to finally be in one place.

We look back on our furlough time as a real blessing. It was so good to visit with so many mission minded churches and enjoy the fellowship with pastors and members. We count it all joy! Thank you all for continuing to reach the lost around the world.

We also count it a blessing to have many of you help us in reaching **our goal for another vehicle** for the bush work. As of this month we have reached 87% of the goal with **\$5,000 more to go**. We are praying for God to prepare the vehicle that He would have us purchase. Please pray for this as well. We look forward to being able to send a picture of the vehicle you helped us purchase.

We also counted it a blessing to be able to see family and friends while here at home. It was the first time to have Christmas with our children and grandchildren since 2005. Sweet memories for us both!

We covet your prayers for:

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| 1. Funds to purchase a vehicle for village work | 5. Bible School—teaching Prophecy |
| 2. To find a vehicle & generator to purchase | 6. Martha & I as we unpack and set up house again |
| 3. Adjustment back to the field | 7. Martha as she returns to Wau Christian School |
| 4. Continuing ministry in all areas | 8. For family we leave behind in the States |

We would like everyone—churches and friends—to confirm your email address with us. We are trying to set up Mail Chimp and would like to include you in this as well. With only sending out our letter bi-monthly, we are hoping this will keep us in closer contact with happening in PNG.

Thank you for your continued prayers and support as we work together to carry out the great commission as co-workers together!

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