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The Great Commission is our Mission!

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Evan, Ben, Lori, Rachel, Nate, and Michael Johnson

The only regular delivery services serving our area are DHL and the Post Office. With the latest rate restructuring, the U. S. Postal Service stopped offering surface mail service to Papua New Guinea. This is a good thing, since the last package sent to us this way took **15 months** to get here. DHL air shipments take about 3-4 weeks. Air mail (including priority mail) takes 4-6 weeks. The current best bargain shipping rate to Papua New Guinea is a flat rate priority mail box, which costs \$37 for whatever you can reasonably fit in the box they provide. Carefully consider insuring all shipments. Some things have gone missing or been damaged on the way here.

Proper packing is important. Boxes tend to get abused in transit. They might be opened for inspection. Pad fragile items. Don't pack soap or perfumed candles in the same package with chocolate or other food, as these tend to exchange flavors in transit.



Well-traveled box

Duty charges, customs rules, and our needs are complex and vary with time. Therefore it is best to email us before sending any package. Some things that are generally OK include m&m's (ask if they are in stock locally or not), ink cartridges for our printer (ask for part numbers), music CDs and movie DVDs (ask to see if we have it already; movie DVDs are subject to import duty), and things we might specifically ask for from time to time. Our basic needs are more efficiently and safely covered by just sending money through Rainbow Missions (or with a personal gift put in our bank account at home), but it is nice to get presents in the mail!

Our address for air mail shipments is above in the masthead of this (and every) newsletter. Our address for DHL shipments is:

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## Back in Papua New Guinea!

*by Michael*

It is good to be back in Papua New Guinea! We have peace that this is the place where the Lord wants us, right now. I'm currently working in the Aviation department at the Aiyura Airstrip, helping maintain and write the many custom computer programs they use to ease the work load. There is a lot going on here, as you might imagine in a country with more airstrips than roads and many remote Bible translation projects.

The Ukarumpa International School schedule is still under construction, as they finalize things and figure out which teachers were really able to make it to PNG. It looks like Lori will be teaching one or two classes, heading the P. E. and Health Department and coaching, being part of the HIV/AIDS Task Force, and taking care of Rachel.

Thank you for your prayers and support, helping us to get to where the Lord sent us!



## Shipping to PNG

It is fun to get packages in the mail, and probably even more fun to send them. There are four main challenges to shipping things to PNG: (1) getting it here on a budget, (2) packing properly, (3) customs and duty, and (4) sending the right stuff.

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## KIDS' COLUMN

**Ben** just went on an adventure to Madang Province and back with four other high school senior boys. On that trip, he:

▶ Rode a PMV (Public Motor Vehicle) to Madang Town (about 5 hours away), surviving a minor collision between his PMV and another PMV with a drunk driver.

▶ Had his camera stolen from his pocket while getting on a crowded PMV leaving Madang Town. (The photo below was taken by Nathan Walker.)

▶ Enjoyed a pleasant 4-day stay in a bush house on the beach at Rempi, which has some of the best snorkelling in the world.

▶ Spent the night on the porch of a filled-up guest house waiting for a vehicle to be repaired for the return trip. (He sent word of his delay via email, since the phone lines to Ukarumpa were down.)



In the meantime, **Evan** has been enjoying school break, visiting with friends, making bonfires, playing video games, and watching the movies we brought with us. **Nate** has been working in Colorado, making money to help pay for college. **Rachel** has been busy playing and keeping Mom, Dad, Ben, and Evan busy.



Ben & Evan played with home-made fireworks on USA Independence Day.

Rachel likes the swing behind our house. She also likes to help Mama with the cleaning bucket.

If you would like to get prayer letters, updates, and photos from us via email, please let us know at [Kahunapule@eBible.org](mailto:Kahunapule@eBible.org).

We also keep updating our web site, which is at <http://eBible.org/Johnson> or <http://kahunapule.org>



Ukarumpa Market Mamas & Children

## Prayer Points

Please agree in prayer with us...

- ▶ Thanks for God's faithfulness in getting us here!
- ▶ Effectiveness in ministry
- ▶ Wisdom
- ▶ The Father's love to always shine through us
- ▶ Abundant provision
- ▶ God's great blessing on all of our partners
- ▶ Health and safety
- ▶ Favor with the authorities, especially concerning Rachel's adoption, visas, and citizenship

*Jesus Christ is LORD!*

*Michael & Lori Johnson*

Rachel with a sparkler on the 4th of July

