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Ipili New Testament Dedication, August 2008.
Photo by Jonathan Federwitz.

International Christian Educator's Conference

Every three years, there is an Asia-Pacific regional International Christian Educator's Conference. This year, Lori plans to go to Hong Kong in November for this conference. It helps with recertification credits, networking and encouragement. Over 30 international schools are represented. UISSC is the most remote. Please pray that this would be a productive time for Lori, that all of our needs would be met for this trip, and that she would return safely to her family.



Ukarumpa International School
Secondary Campus Faculty 2008

Bible Translation Progress

by Michael

"For as the rain comes down and the snow from the sky, and doesn't return there, but waters the earth, and makes it bring forth and bud, and gives seed to the sower and bread to the eater; so shall my word be that goes forth out of my mouth: it shall not return to me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it."

— Isaiah 55:10-11 (WEB)

In previous newsletters, I have shown statistics indicating just how enormous the remaining Bible translation task is. This time, I want to dwell on the positive. I did some research, and found out that there are 111 completions of New Testaments and Old Testaments scheduled for 2008 and 2009. For a list of those (except for 13 in areas too sensitive to post), see my online journal. This is something to praise the Lord for! It is also a good reason to pray for the people involved—everyone, including financial partners, prayer warriors, support workers both in home countries and on the field, those doing typesetting, artwork, and printing, and those translating and checking the Scriptures. We are not ignorant of Satan's efforts to oppose God's Word, but ultimately, God's Word will go out in the languages people understand best, and bear eternal fruit.



Every
tribe and
language
will have
someone
in the
Kingdom
of Heaven.

More



Nate setting up to show an AIDS awareness movie

Please Keep Praying

- ▶ Thanking the Lord for Scripture translations being completed
- ▶ For our ministry here to be effective
- ▶ For completion of Rachel's adoption, citizenship, and visa paperwork soon
- ▶ For our family's spiritual and physical health
- ▶ For safety and protection
- ▶ For abundant provision for all of our needs
- ▶ For the Lord of the Harvest to send more laborers into His harvest

Thank you for your prayers, support, and encouragement!

Jesus Christ is Lord!

Michael & Lori Johnson

Kids' Column

News about Nate, Ben, Evan, and Rachel

Nate came to Papua New Guinea during his school break to visit us and help with our work, here. He showed some Christian movies intended to combat HIV/AIDS and *The Jesus Film* in many villages. He also helped lead a work project at a new orphanage specializing in helping HIV/AIDS orphans. His familiarity with the language and culture was a great asset. His next overseas adventure will be in the Middle East, where he will continue his Arabic and international relations studies. He is now back at Brown University. You can write to him at his email address (which ends with "@eBible.org" and starts with "Nate") or at:

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Ben is attending Grove City College and studying philosophy and entrepreneurship. Nate and Ben took a low budget tour of Europe on the way back to the U. S. A. from Papua New Guinea. Ben's email address ends in "@fortben.com" and starts with "Ben".

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Evan is attending Ukarumpa International School Secondary Campus, where, in addition to the regular requirements, he is taking a photography class.

Rachel is attending preschool two days a week. She is very good at climbing trees, jumping, running, playing hard, and talking in two languages.

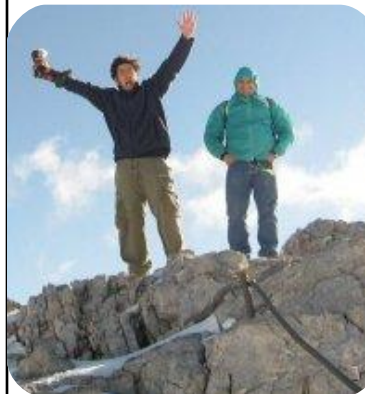


Rachel loves Cougar, our cat. (Our previous cat, Puma, was lost and presumed digested.)



Did I mention that Nate and Ben had a *low budget* tour of Europe? Usually Nate and Ben slept in a proper campground, but when the train schedule gets delayed...

Photo by Nate.



Nate celebrating getting to the summit of an Austrian

Alp with a cousin.

Photo by Ben.



Evan on a photography class field trip