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Dear Co-worker:

This month we list a few prayer items coming from the field. In regards to prayer, I have learned personally beginning the first couple years in New Guinea that we had to pray in our support. In the following years I also learned that the Lord determined to keep PIM's annual income level around a half million dollars. Why? At those figures we were always able to keep in meaningful touch with the



Students in the Yama School.

supporters who are part of the PIM team. However, it's well we determine to keep it at that level so we can meet the responsibilities assigned us at that budget level. Your prayers are coveted in this regard.

Herewith a few comments by Penny Schering summarized:

We are so grateful that David and Marlene Wakuri's grandson Brian has fully recovered from a dangerous attack of malaria. After hours of praying, trips to the local clinic, anxiety, and sleeplessness for his caregivers, Brian has fully recovered, including his mental faculties, and is now back in school.

In their small quarters in Ambunti, David and Jennifer Kasen board many extra children from upriver relatives. Keeping track of children and running a small business in the local market, Jennifer does well in her managerial skills. Experiencing need in this area more recently, she has worked on her personal devotions and prayer centered on God's Word.

From the village of Bongomachi:

- * We need to pray for our food, but God doesn't leave us.
- * We give thanks to Him for the faith we have.
- * There is so much sickness in our area.
- * We need wisdom knowing how to deal with men who move the boundary markers of the land.
- * People quarrel and fight, leave the church, and engage in sexual sins.

Doug writes the following from Ambunti:

I was bringing the laptop from the office to the house for some reading and the downstairs door wouldn't open. I unlocked it but still the door wouldn't open, so I assumed that the inside pad-bolt was engaged. I

tried the upstairs door, but it was locked, too, and the key didn't fit that lock. The next step had to be a break-in. So after finding a hacksaw blade, I sawed through the pad-bolt on the laundry door. After getting in, however, I noticed that the first door was not bolted on the inside and using two hands I could have opened it.

On June 20 winter starts south of the equator, and it's the beginning of the dry season. When cloudy, the morning temps have been 77 and 78 degrees, but the days are still warm. Working on repairing the electrical wiring in the upstairs of the training center due to rats chewing off the insulation I noted it was 98 degrees. To find the cause to all the trouble and short circuiting and escape the heat for several days I crawled around among the trusses in the early morning before the sun was up. Now, praise the Lord, all the work paid off; the ceiling fans are working for the teachers gathering this coming week.

Last week we had another electrical problem. This one was on the tractor. The starter motor continued to run whenever the key was turned on. It took a day to discover the problem but there was a simple solution: it was a loose connection. It took a lot more time to reassemble all the parts removed trying to figure out the problem. And then there are termites; they're in the category of nearly beyond solution.

On another topic, Sunday I sat with some friends during their traditional week of mourning because a granddaughter of a PIM former employee was killed by her jealous ex-husband. She was pregnant. A second coffin was there. A young man was killed in revenge after he used a knife slashing two others while in a land dispute in a down-river village. I know his father. As far as I know, none were Christians.

As I write this letter hoping to keep the words limited to two pages, I just learned that Doug has been released from a hospital due to rapid heartbeat which he gets when physically strained. After some mission matters in Australia he will be going back to Ambunti. Prayers are needed for all of us.

I might also mention that PIM's ministry extends beyond problems in the church. It's a mission that works *in the world* but is not of it. As you can see in the above, the extended work compounds PIM's endeavors but also enlarges its effectiveness.

In his grace,



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Petrol being offloaded at Pagwi after being on the road for 5 hours and before the final 2 1/2 hours by river to Ambunti.