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Dear Supporters and Friends,

Hello! I hope this report finds you all doing well, and experiencing God's faithfulness as a reality in your daily lives. I have much to share with you in this letter. The Lord has blessed the last couple months of travel, giving me safety, allowing me to make new friends, and increasing my support. I have also been busy continuing to try to make contacts and schedule meetings.

About two and a half months ago, as I was looking at my schedule, I realized I had a block of time coming up in August and September in which the Lord had not allowed me to schedule any meetings. I began praying about what the Lord would have me to do with that time, and He began to show me an open door. I kept praying, and then began talking with my Pastor, Bro. Matt Allen, and Bro. John Allen. The end result of all that is that the Lord has opened a door of opportunity for me to spend six weeks in Papua New Guinea during that time. This will not be a survey trip (I took that in April of 2007), but rather a linguistics trip. Let me see if I can explain.

First off, let me remind you (since it is not your "typical" scenario) that the language of the Kamean people has never been written. I can not pick up a Rosetta Stone CD of Kamean and study as I travel in the car. The only way to learn the language is "on the ground".

Next, for those of you who don't know, let me share some exciting team news with you. My co-worker, Cherith Stevens, has been in and out of PNG on visitor visas since last November. She has made great strides in the language. But she will be leaving at the end of November, be married in December, and will not return to PNG until sometime next summer or fall after her husband has completed his linguistics training.

As I prayed and considered these two things, I began to realize the HUGE benefit it would be for my long-term ministry if I could spend even just six weeks "on the ground" with Cherith. She will be able to share with me all the language data she has compiled thus far, and introduce me to the best language helpers in our village. It's kind of like running a race. Rather than going in and starting at the starting line, I'll be able to start 1/4 of the way into the race. I strongly believe that God in His providence allowed me not to schedule any meetings during this time for this very purpose.

Now, let me say this. I feel a great responsibility to each of you as my prayer and financial supporters, to make sure that I am ethical in all my doings. As I considered this, I did not think it would be wise to use the money that I was receiving for monthly support to fund this trip. So I asked the Lord, that if it was His will, He would provide the funds from a source outside of my regular support. He has answered that prayer!

I hope I haven't overwhelmed you with too much information. I hope you are as excited about this opportunity as I am. I will write again next month and share my exact travel dates and all with you. For this month, please just pray that the Lord will give me safety as I travel on deputation, work out all the details as I plan for this trip, and give me many more meetings in October and November. Lord willing, as the Lord provides, it is my goal to return permanently at the end of November. Pastor, if you are receiving this letter because you asked to be kept up-to-date, but have not yet been able to have me come and present my work at your church, would you please check your schedule right now and see if you have any openings in October and November? May the Lord bless each of you.

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