



Missionaries  
serving in Western  
Province of  
Papua New Guinea

July 2020 Update

**The Time is  
Now!**

*“Seek ye the LORD while  
he may be found, call ye upon Him  
while He is near:” Is 55:5*

This verse implies that there will be a time when the Lord can not be found and when He is not near. God impressed me to emphasize this recently as I preached in the main market area in Kiunga town. Honestly, no one knows how much time we have left so must be busy to share the message and believe the message of the gospel.

The work here in Kiunga seems to be going slowly (that is always my perspective though). Our construction on the classroom building for Western Baptist Bible School as well as our house has been delayed temporarily. This is mainly because of the road conditions. During rainy season the road leading to our property becomes a huge mud pit. Please help us pray that God will work out some way to get approximately 1 mile of mud dried out and gravels put on it.

We have several praises to report. In the church plant in Ningerum we just had our first ever service on the new property on July 26th! The Christians themselves have cleared the land, gathered raw materials and put up a temporary church building

so that we can begin using the land (up to this point we have been meeting under a member’s house). **We praise God that by His grace this goal has been reached after so many years of preparation, planning and hard work.** While I am looking forward to seeing many more churches planted I want to take time to thank God for using us to establish the first ever Independent Baptist Church in this area. One prayer request concerning the church plant is that we still need \$3,000 to finish filing the necessary paperwork with the Lands Office.



We also thank God that we were able to get our vehicle out of the shipping container. For the last 7 weeks we have been using the public transport around town and going 5 hours round trip to the Ningerum church plant. Now that we have the vehicle, I will be able to take my family with me on the weekends as well as do many more outreaches.

The last praise is that we were able to help distribute Bibles to 600 children in the primary school in Ningerum as well as to the 35 inmates in the local prison. This has opened the door for us to do future Bible teaching lessons in these locations!

As always, we thank you for partnering with us in prayer and financial support so that we can reach PNG with the gospel of Jesus Christ!

Your fellow servant  
in Christ,  
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Heb. 11:6

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