

Danny & Becca DeLoach

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to see God's Word hit its target in the hearts
of the people of Papua New Guinea



Finishing Furlough

On December 17 we will leave Dallas and drive to Georgia to spend Christmas with family there. We will also spend the month of January there taking care of paperwork, last medical check-ups, final shopping and packing and all the other things involved in getting ready to move back across the world. On February 2 we will begin our long journey back to Papua New Guinea, spending about a week in Cairns, Australia (where the kids were born) to reacclimate to that time zone (16 hours different from here) and have a little down time in the midst of all the transition. We covet your prayers for us in the next few months as we have many things to do in closing down our lives here and preparing to begin another term of ministry in Papua New Guinea. Along with wisdom and patience for us, pray especially for Anna and Joshua as this time of transition can be confusing, exciting and upsetting for them.

Giving Thanks to God



for His Faithfulness

Dear Friends and Family,

As we celebrate Thanksgiving this year we feel abundantly blessed by God for all He has accomplished for us on this furlough including seeing so many family and friends, spiritual and emotional refreshment and getting health situations resolved. One of the main goals of this furlough was continuing education. Danny successfully completed the last classes towards his master's degree the end of October. As I write this, he is one week away from taking the Comprehensive Exam that he needs to pass in order to complete the degree. We have seen God's hand working in so many ways through Danny's studies this year...wrestling with and even providing some answers to questions we had about our work among the Wantoat, re-energizing him for continued service in the area of Scripture Use, even expanding our vision and goals for ministry this next term. As he has been reviewing material from classes he took eight years ago for the comprehensive exam, he continues to enjoy seeing how it all relates to our ministry in Papua New Guinea, giving new ideas for doing things in a way that we pray makes for a more effective ministry as we go back.



Our Upcoming Schedule in a Nutshell:

- Nov. 22** Danny takes his Comprehensive Exam
- Dec. 17** We leave Dallas for Christmas in Georgia
- Feb. 2** Begin our multi-day journey back to Papua New Guinea (PNG)
- Feb. 6** Arrive in Cairns, Australia
- Feb. 11** Anna celebrates her birthday in Australia, 5 years after she was born there!
- Feb. 14** Fly to Ukarumpa, PNG



One-time Financial Projects

As we head back to Papua New Guinea, there are several "one time expenses" that we will be having. If any of you feel a desire to help out in one of these specific ways we and the Papua New Guineans whom your gift will affect greatly appreciate it.

Wantoat New Testament Re-print and Scripture Use Materials Production

During our next term we will be printing more Wantoat New Testaments. All previously printed copies have been distributed, and there are still people wanting more. We also have plans for literacy and oral materials that will encourage greater use of Wantoat Scriptures. The estimated cost of producing these New Testaments and Scripture Use materials is \$4,000.

Wantoat Church Lawnmower

The president of the Wantoat church has asked if churches in our home country would be willing to help them out with the cost of getting a lawnmower to maintain the church property (they currently "mow" all the grass by hand). They are our primary partners in this Wantoat Scripture Use ministry, and we feel that this is a worthy project. It may even help us out in getting the airstrip cut, too! The estimated cost of this project is \$600. (An equivalent mower would cost much less in the U.S., but taxes and shipping raise the cost in Papua New Guinea.)

Travel Back to PNG

Although we purchased roundtrip tickets from Australia to Dallas, TX when we came on furlough, the taxes for them to be reissued as well as the tickets from Jacksonville to Dallas and from Australia to Papua New Guinea still add up! These additional travel costs total about \$3,500.

If you would like to contribute to any of the projects, a gift can be sent to Wycliffe or LBT designated to the DeLoach account with a note saying, "Wantoat NT", "Lawnmower", or "Travel to PNG".



Matching Gifts Program

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