

THINGS

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UNSEEN

2 Corinthians 4:18-19
For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal.

The Ministry Newsletter of the Lanier Family



ENROUTE TO PAPUA NEW GUINEA

Our four years of training are finished and we are now beginning the process of raising support -- building a team of people who will partner with us in prayer and financial support.

We began training with New Tribes Mission in the fall of 2003, only one month after our wedding. Why? Because we knew that all around the world there are thousands of people groups in some of the most remote and isolated areas of the world where the gospel has not reached. We wanted to be part of planting churches among some of these isolated peoples. Today, four years later, our desire remains the same and we have finished the necessary pre-field training and are ready to be sent. But we lack one thing--a sufficient support team. We need a team of people who will stand behind us as we battle on the front lines. This team is a vital

and integral part of reaching tribal people with the Good News. It involves many different kinds of people.

We are now home in California where we will be living until we move overseas. We tentatively plan to depart for Papua New Guinea *January of 2009*. During this next year we will be sharing with people and churches the ministry we are preparing for and how they can be part of taking the gospel to the ends of the earth with us.

You are a very necessary part of reaching the unreached people in Papua New Guinea. Keep reading to learn more about how you can be involved.



Papua New Guinea
PNG, as it is often referred to, lies off the north coast of Australia and is the Eastern half of Papua, Indonesia. PNG is home to more than 800 distinct languages giving it one of the highest linguistic concentrations in the world. The gospel has not yet reached 200 of these language groups.

BUILDING A TEAM

What we are doing this year and how you can be involved...

With a tentative departure one year from now there is a lot to be done! In the coming months most of our time will be spent:

- Speaking in churches and small groups and building relationships
- Raising monthly financial support
- Buying and preparing supplies
- Completing the paperwork for our entry into Papua New Guinea
- Visiting with friends and family before we leave

Spreading the Word

We are very excited about the opportunity we have during this time to share what God is doing in places like Papua New Guinea to expand the reach of the gospel and how we want to be involved. We have the special opportunity to spend a lot of time this next year sharing with people what He has laid on our hearts--tribal church planting. *If you know of any churches, small groups or Sunday schools where we would be able to share, or if you would like to host a meeting your home, please contact us.*

You Have A Part

You being involved in this ministry doesn't just mean you are helping *us*, it means you are taking part in advancing the gospel to the ends of the earth. It means that you are participating in planting brand new churches among isolated people who have been enslaved in darkness for centuries. You can play a key part through the following areas.

Prayer

We are waging a spiritual war and that battle is largely fought in prayer. We need your prayers as we embark in this ministry. Will you be a prayer partner? Our prayer partners will:

- Commit to praying for our requests and special needs regularly
- Receive our newsletters and prayer requests
- Share prayer requests with us

Finances

We are looking for a team of monthly financial supporters. All the work we do in the tribe from literacy, medical work



and printing Bible lessons to flying supplies and groceries into a remote tribal location require a great deal of finances. See below for more.

Encouragement

Phone calls, emails, notes in the mail...these are all small ways that you can be an encouragement to us and we hope to be able to do the same for you.

If you want to partner with us please write or email us at the addresses at the bottom of this page. We look forward to serving the Lord with you!

Together for His glory,

Tim, Tiffany, Noah, & Micah Lanier

Recommended Monthly Support

This job requires many things and one of those is finances. We are looking for people and churches who would partner with us financially . Please pray with us and consider partnering in this area. We are currently receiving 25% of what New Tribes Mission recommends for a family like ours going to Papua New Guinea. This graphic will appear in our newsletters from now until we leave letting you know how much support God has provided.

If you would like to be a financial partner please send gifts to:

New Tribes Mission
1000 E. First Street
Sanford, FL 32771

Please include a note- "for the ministry of Tim & Tiffany Lanier."

You can also give **online** at our secure NTM website.

www.ntm.org/tim_lanier/give

