

# Timothy and Leandra Hawes

## Missionaries to Papua New Guinea

Dear Praying Brothers and Sisters

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We are now safely back in PNG. The airlines somehow mistakenly thought we had two babies instead of one and gave us extra empty seats and extra baby food the whole way to PNG. This was an incredible blessing as we flew straight through from New York to Goroka without overnighing anywhere. Praise God all our suitcases made it and there was no customs charged on all the tools we had for the Bible College! We are so thankful to the Lord for His goodness and for your faithful prayers.

We had a wonderful service with the people of Sagifa on Sunday, but the village leader Seku was not present. Please pray for his salvation. Praise God, the core group of ladies stayed faithful while we were gone! Leandra had started a Wednesday morning Bible Study with the ladies right before we left. She was able to continue that again this week. The ladies said meeting once a week on Sunday was not enough since they have had so many temptations and struggles in the village. May we never take for granted the blessing we have to attend a Wednesday night prayer meeting.

We are thrilled to see how Goroka Baptist Bible College is growing and expanding. Friday night we will have the single students coming over again and our house will be packed with around 40 students. A building team is coming in August to build a new national staff house. The Lord has provided \$15,500 of the \$30,000 needed. The Christian school year started the end of January right when we returned to the States. It is such a blessing to see all the boys and girls attending now. Thank you for your sacrificial gifts for its completion. Praise God the new generator finally arrived on Tuesday!

Tim's health has been fine since we returned. The doctors never could figure out for sure what he had. He has always had some stomach problems and it seems what ever he got in PNG just made it worse. He put on 25 pounds in the first few weeks we were in the States. We are thankful he is now healthy again and got medical clearance from the doctors to return!

We are praying for you all.

**For His glory,  
Tim, Leandra, and Lydia Hawes**



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