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A bimonthly guide to praying for Bible translation and language development in the Sepik Region of Papua New Guinea (PNG)

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February 2023

1-2 Pray for the approximately 410 people who speak the **Auwe** language in Sandaun Province. They have no Scripture in their language yet.

3-4 Pray for the **Aitape West Translation** team as they hold a translation workshop in February. Pray that all the equipment would run well and that each of the translators would have wisdom to know how best to translate the portions being worked on during this course.

5-6 Pray for the approximately 1,330 people who speak the **Gnau** language in Sandaun Province. They have no Scripture in their language yet.

7-8 Pray for students across the country who are beginning a new school year. Pray that parents will find the resources needed to pay the school fees for each child. Pray that students will stand for truth and be drawn to a deeper relationship with Jesus.

9-10 Pray for the approximately 200 people who speak the **Yau** language in Sandaun Province. They have no written Scripture in their language yet.

11-12 Pray for **Litz Liew** and the **Mevembet** language group as they mourn the loss of their co-worker and friend **Lawrence Miamba** who passed away suddenly after a short illness late last year. Pray for peace, comfort, and that people would be able to find Jesus in the midst of all the pain. Pray for the translation team as they find ways to move forward without him.

13-14 Pray for the approximately 3,460 people who speak the **Kap** language in Sandaun Province. They have no Scripture in their language yet.

15-16 Give praise for two fruitful **Scripture Application and Leadership Training (SALT) courses** in the **Urim** area in January. Pray that participants will continue to apply what they learned and understand more about who God is and what He desires for each person.

17-18 Pray for the approximately 180 people who speak the **Seta** language in Sandaun Province. They have no written Scripture in their language yet.

19-20 Pray for good health and strength for **Amos and Nancy Dagon** as they hike to visit multiple villages in the **Pahi** and **Mehek** language groups. Pray that even though this trip means postponement of some work in these areas, that their conversations could be an encouragement to the communities.

21-22 Pray for the approximately 150 people who speak the **Ningera** language in Sandaun Province. They have no Scripture in their language yet.

23-24 Pray for wisdom and creativity in the development of the **Story Based Culture Meets Scripture** materials. Pray for insights into the best ways to depict the teaching materials through stories.

25-26 Pray for the approximately 1,000 speakers of the **Yis** language who live in Sandaun Province. They have no written Scripture in their language yet.

27-28 Pray for strength for five **Oral Bible Storytelling (OBS) trainers (Andrew, Michael, Colin, Daniel, and Jennifer)** who are currently leading an OBS workshop in the **Gulf** province. Pray that students will be able to internalize the stories and that the stories will change their lives.

March 2023

1-2 Pray for the approximately 790 speakers of the **Tumleo** language who live in Sandaun Province. They have no Scripture in their language at this time.

3-4 Give thanks for a productive three week **Teachers Training** course for prep schools (like kindergarten) in the **Abau** language area. Pray that the experienced teachers can form good teams with the new teachers to help the students learn well.

5-6 Pray for the approximately 3,600 speakers of the **Bungain** language who live in East Sepik Province. They have no written Scripture in their language yet.

7-8 Pray for direction for new translators coming to PNG, including **Eduard Schroeder**, who are seeking where God would have them serve in the country. Pray for good interactions with communities and other staff who can help them find the right place.

9-10 Pray for the approximately 350 speakers of the **Berinomo** language who live in East Sepik Province. They have no Scripture in their language yet.

11-12 Pray for Bible school students who received **OBS** and **Basic Exegesis** training last year. Pray that they would be able to use what they have learned to help others in their communities understand more of who God is.

13-14 Pray for the approximately 260 speakers of the **Burui** language who live in East Sepik Province. They have no Scripture in their language at this time.

15-16 Pray for wisdom for four **Aitape West interns** attending a **Greek course** at Ukarumpa. Pray for good health, understanding of all the key concepts, and that this will help in their translation work. This course was postponed from earlier in the year.

17-18 Pray for the approximately 700 speakers of the **Juwar** language who live in East Sepik Province. They have no written Scripture in their language at this time.

19-20 Pray for direction for the **SPES team** to know how to schedule training as several team members will be away for a good part of the year. Pray for creative solutions and trainers who can help as needed.

21-22 Pray for the approximately 2,500 speakers of the **Kairiru** language who live in East Sepik Province. They have no Scripture in their language at this time.

23-24 Pray for a **SALT course** being held in the **Awtuw** language group. Pray for good communication of materials by the trainers and that lives will be transformed as this area has dealt with much false teaching in the past. Pray for physical and spiritual protection for all involved.

25-26 Pray for the approximately 580 speakers of the **Wutung** language who live in Sandaun Province. They have no Scripture in their language at this time.

27-28 Pray that all the logistics for the upcoming **Basic Exegesis** course for the OBS trainers in Wewak would come together. Preparations include getting the curriculum finalized into Tok Pisin, arranging flights, food, and more.

29-30 Pray for the approximately 830 speakers of the **Amal** language who live in East Sepik Province. They have no Scripture in their language at this time.

31 Pray for healing for **Sam Smucker** as he has been dealing with ongoing health issues for many months. Pray for wisdom to know what the problems are and what would best address the issues.
