

SEPIK REGION PRAYER CALENDAR May 2023

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1-2 Pray for the approximately 290 people who speak the **Umeda** language in Sandaun Province. They have no Scripture in their language yet.

3-4 Give thanks for a fruitful Basic Exegesis course for SPES Oral Bible Storytelling (OBS) trainers and Aitape West translators in April. Lots of new principles were shared and practiced. Pray that the participants can now apply what they have learned as they share God's Word with their communities.

5-6 Pray for the approximately 800 people who speak the **Urimo** language in East Sepik Province. They have no written Scripture in their language yet.

7-8 Give praise for a good Scripture Application and Leadership Training (SALT) course in the Awtuw area in March. Pray that participants will continue to apply what they learned and understand more about who God is and what He desires for each person. Pray for people who can disciple participants who gave their lives to Christ during the course.

9-10 Pray for the approximately 960 people who speak the **Agi** language in Sandaun Province. They have no written Scripture in their language yet.

11-12 Pray for clear teaching as the OBS trainers begin a new OBS workshop in Arop on May 10. Pray for unity for the team as this group has not previously taught together. Pray for discernment for Nafian Saremo as he consultant checks the stories, that they would be clear and natural.

13-14 Pray for the approximately 2,140 people who speak the **Pagi** language in Sandaun Province. They have no Scripture in their language yet.

15-16 Pray for keen eyes for the Urim team, currently in Wewak, as they do a final read-through of the New Testament in preparation for typesetting later this year.

17-18 Pray for the approximately 970 people who speak the **Sowanda** language in Sandaun Province. They have no Scripture in their language yet.

19-20 Pray for Elvira Corbalan as she prepares to return to PNG. Pray that she will have the funds needed to come back and that all of her paperwork would come through in a timely manner. Pray for healing for co-translator **Raymond Sipili** who has been battling oral cancer.

21-22 Pray for the approximately 380 people who speak the **Yerakai** language in East Sepik Province. They have no Scripture in their language yet.

23-24 Pray for safety for the second cluster of **Aitape West** participants who are traveling to begin their OBS workshop on May 24. Pray for good understanding of the stories presented. Pray for the teaching team and the consultants as they help the participants craft understandable stories to share with their communities.

25-26 Pray for the approximately 1,500 speakers of the Muno language who live in Sandaun Province. They have no written Scripture in their language yet.

27-28 Pray for strength and wisdom for who are currently checking the gospel of Matthew in the **Mevembet** language. Pray for safety as they make preparations for some upcoming construction projects. **29-30** Pray for the approximately 500 speakers of the **Eitiep** language who live in East Sepik Province. They have no written Scripture in their language yet.

31 May and June are often times of transition. Pray for several people leaving for furlough in their home countries and others who are returning to continue their work in PNG. Pray for times of rest and refreshment, as well as good connections with family and friends for those heading to their home countries and a smooth transition back for those who are returning.