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Your feet to the unreached

STOKING THE FIRE

"Verily, verily, I say unto you, Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone; but if it die, it bringeth forth much fruit". -John 12:24

SETH & NICOLE STOKES Church Planters to Papua New Guinea

WHAT'S NEW...

- ❖ God has seen it fit by His Divine Providence and Will to permit us to be at *over* **95%** of our monthly support.
- Stay in touch! Soon you will be getting updates from around the world, and from the future (PNG is 15 hours ahead of Eastern Standard time).
- Our deputation tour took us to: 100 beds, 19 states, (several countries ©), and about 70K logged into driving. That adds up to almost 49 *days* of driving!
- * Praise! We were able to hit our minimum required monthly goal, and have our initial fees paid in full!
- ❖ Pray we can be ready to learn another language and culture, to seek the Lord's will to which tribe He is leading us to, and to be able to discern whom we ought to partner with to do this work.

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Being Commissioned By Our Home Church.

Our LAST Newsletter During Deputation.

What have we been doing?

We had a great time with friends, family, and our home church in New Jersey over the Holiday season. We spoke at churches and events all the way up to the 11th of January. Since then we have been scurrying around trying to finish up any loose ends like; seeing family, saying good-bye to friends, packing our crate, getting rid of our possessions, lots of paperwork, and much more. In the midst of all that, Seth was ordained and our home church commissioned us.

What are we doing?

We are trying to finish up with packing our possessions, sending things overseas, connecting with people and challenge them to grow while we are gone, more paperwork, saying good-bye to the grandparents. We are also trying to think through anything we might need to do before we leave, like; phone plan, sell car, banking, power of attorney, and a few other things.

What will be doing?

We leave **Feb. 1**st at 2:30am from Pittsburgh and we arrive in Madang, PNG on Wednesday at 10:25am. We have a *15-week* national language and culture intensive training. After that, we have about a *2-month* "bush orientation" where we live with missionaries and see what tribal life is

really all about. From there, we finish up language training, begin survey trips, compile a team, and then move into one of the many tribes that are asking for a missionary...asking. Christ will build **His** church.

PRAYER: Praise-God has provided the funds, paperwork, and much more! Pray-That our energy is restored so we can can jump straight into language study. Pray-We can continue to grow close to God and each other. Pray-For more laborers to go into the many tribes who are asking for the Gospel.

for the glory of His name, Such to Nicole Stakes.