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Receiving Flights & Being With the People

"...who putteth his trust in the Lord shall be safe."

-Proverbs 29:25

WHAT'S NEW...

♣ If and when we have good internet we would love to talk with you, we have not had good internet for quite some time. **Skype name:** soldier4onegod. **FaceTime name:** nicolestokes22@gamil.com

♣ Many of you know that at the end of July we are transitioning and seeing if God is leading us to serve in Vanuatu full-time.

♣ We are still in the bush, when we head back to PNG we will have to do a quick transition to Australia for 9 days and then head to Vanuatu.

♣ **Praise God:** Seth's mom got into the tribe safely and Seth did not get hurt yet while doing many jobs that could have caused harm.

♣ **Praise God:** God has always provided for us and directed our steps, He might be showing us a path to serve Him full-time in Vanuatu, He is faithful and He will build His church.

♣ **Praise God:** We know God has stretched us and grown us in so many ways. We see Him working more and more in us, especially in the hard and uncertain times, this transition has made us depend on Him.

Prayer Requests:

- **Pray-** For the multiple transitions and decisions we have to make this month.
- **Pray-** For us to depend more and more on God during this transition.
- **Pray-** For us to walk by faith and not sight; pray that we draw closer to each other and God during a time most people get stressed.

For most of our time in June we have been working in the bush helping out Seth's brother and family. They are in the process of learning an unwritten language and every moment we can assist them helps during this time when many missionaries; quit, despair, get depressed, and get drained in every way. Being so isolated, not being able to readily access the outside world, tribal missionaries quickly become the go-to person for an array of things. They help with medical and medevacs, pregnancies, government liaison work, flight coordinating, maintenance, care-taker of the airstrip, community talks and relations, and ordering supplies. You can have someone call out your name from outside of you house before the sunlight comes up asking for your help with a complication in a pregnancy, or you can get the midnight request for coffee... life in the bush never has an "off" time.

Seth helped out with projects every day, and at a moments notice the water would go out and Seth would have to hike up the hill to fix the blockage in the tank from the stream, or a pig would break through the fence and start tearing up the airstrip and Seth would have to go chase off the pig; fix the fence, and repair the damage done to the airstrip. We helped out with the kids, food, cleaning, schooling and every day life that is complicated by tribal living. With all that being said we pray that as **your sent-ones**, we were able to encourage them, help out in any way possible, propel them to press on, and that God uses this time to remind them they are loved, and not allow the devil to discourage them and any little whisper he might try to put in their head to not finish.

Pray for the Dem-team as they are at one of the hardest times in ministry; learning a difficult language, balancing helping and teaching the Dem people about the Creator Who loves them.

for the glory of His name, Seth & Nicole Stokes



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"God created people to exist and function in community with others." - J. Payne