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*But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you. Take therefore no thought for the morrow: for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof.*

—Matthew 6:33-34

Isn't it amazing how we make plans and yet they often turn out much differently than we expected? In those moments, we should be thankful and rest in the much better plan of our Heavenly Father.

In our last prayer letter, Port Moresby was at the front end of its worst Covid wave to date; and we had just left for the States. Although many of our church members were ill, and some of them seriously ill to the point of hospitalization, all have now made a full recovery. We are so thankful for that. Pastorally, I had dreaded the impact of the illness on our people.

In December, we successfully shipped the 40' container of chairs and desks and training materials. Several publishers donated books for the Bible Institute that my dad is leading. As I write, the container is on the railway headed to California where it *might* get on a ship next week. The shipping logistics are very strange compared to what we are used to over the last 20 years.

A very welcome change for us: we are adding a young man to our family! On the 20th of December, Luke Lunsford asked our daughter Ariel to marry him. We are so excited about this! Ariel and Luke will be getting married in August 2022. They are a lovely couple, and I have enjoyed watching them make decisions together while seeking godly counsel. God has blessed our family with Luke.



We were supposed to fly back to Port Moresby today. But the Lord had better plans as Becky tested positive for Covid yesterday. Her symptoms are like a slight cold, and she is extremely tired. We have rescheduled the flight, and are quarantining in St. Louis (where our flight was supposed to originate) for the meantime. I hope and expect that our next prayer letter will be sent from home—Port Moresby, PNG.

Thank you for your faithful partnership in this ministry!

Sincerely,  
Matt and Becky Allen