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Dear praying friends and church family,

We want to thank each of you for your prayers during these past few months. Our theme for this year is "Rooted and Growing in Christ" Colossians 2:7.

Verda and I have returned to a full and active schedule of ministry since Covid. November 15th -18th I preached a missions' conference for one of our Bible School graduates at Redemption Baptist Church. God's word impacted lives as Christians responded to each message and **four adults received Christ as their Saviour.**



January 1st Kwimbu Baptist Church held its first Mission's Conference.

Our guest speaker was a Papua New Guinean, Dominic Kelly, who has served in Solomon Islands for two years and due to Covid had to return to PNG. He and his wife were a blessing to Kwimbu Baptist. He hopes to return soon as restrictions are removed. Pray for them to be able to return soon. We were blessed to see our church give a love offering to him equivalent to \$2,500.00. Our meeting was well attended and many responded to the messages.



January 11th – 14, I preached at pastors' conference for pastors in the Watut/Bulolo district. **Six adults** were saved. I presented the new believers with a Bible and study materials. Four men surrendered for ministry.



January 17th – 20th Verda and I drove to Yonki an 8 hour drive for a Baptist Missionary retreat. Hosted by Tim and Rebekah Lewis. I was honored to reacquaint myself to missionaries who have grown up in PNG and now serving as missionaries. I was also encouraged to see new missionaries who have recently come to the field and are doing a great work. We all needed to laugh and hear stories and preaching from God's Word. Verda and I left refreshed and excited about the future.

We left the retreat early for Verda to catch her international flight to the States. Sharon, our daughter, will soon deliver our 15th grandchild. Thank you for all the Christmas offerings as they enabled us to purchase a round trip flight for her to be with her. Pictures and story to follow.

I am in Wau with limited communications, but busy building and preparing for new students' arrival. Lord willing, we will have a very full campus this year. Please pray for the safe arrival of our students.

Thank you for your prayers and faithful financial giving.

May God richly bless as you continue to pray for the Keck family.

Gary and Verda