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It was a joy to have Pastor Holmes Tako from Morata Baptist Church in Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea (PNG), come to the United States for a short visit. He and I both had the honor of speaking at the Board of Trustees' Meeting at BIMI. This meeting is held bi-yearly. Pastor Holmes shared the impact of the Bible Project on the churches, individuals, and the government as a whole. Your investment in the PNG Bible Distribution Project has greatly influenced the country. Many souls have been saved and in one particular service over 50 came to know Christ and were baptized. New churches have been started and the Education Department has launched a special Bible curriculum in the schools. Pastor Holmes also shared that because of the Bible Project, the government has started opening new roads to the remote school areas where we have traveled. These new roads have opened a door for better travel for evangelistic meetings. Through this board meeting, God led Pastor Pittman and Temple Baptist Church in Dulles, Virginia, to purchase and donate a Gospel tent (112'x48') to be used in PNG for revival/evangelism. This tent will be used as a follow-up to the Bible distribution with the hope of starting New Testament Baptist churches. Please pray for this special endeavor.

Brother Max Nime Bartho is a very hard worker and a young preacher from Morata Baptist Church in Port Moresby. He has been studying and believes that God wants him to go to New Zealand as a missionary. He has traveled with me to many of the schools, assisting in the organization and distribution of the Bibles. Once when I was robbed by a young man wielding a bush knife, Brother Max boldly chased the robber deep into the bush in an attempt to recover what was stolen. He is a godly young man and witnesses for Christ everywhere he goes and has been teaching Religious Instruction classes at several of the local schools in Port Moresby. He recently traveled to Chimbu Province in the Highlands to personally distribute Bibles in an area where his family is originally located. There was a large landslide that closed the roads so he was unable to

leave the area. During his time there, he was able to do some remote schools, most of the time carrying the Bibles personally to get to the schools. He recently spoke and distributed Bibles to Kundiawa Tech School in Chimbu Province where 639 Bibles were distributed to the students and teachers.

During the last week of March, my dear wife ended up in the ER of a local hospital suffering from extreme abdominal pain. While waiting with my wife, I heard over the PA system an announcement for Dr. Stanley to please come to the ER for another patient. I mentioned to the attending doctor that he, Dr. Stanley, was the surgeon who had operated on me in August of 2022. He is a fine Christian doctor and we enjoyed talking about the Scriptures and praying together on his visits during my 9-day hospital stay. The emergency room doctor proceeded to contact him to come to see my wife. It gave us great peace and assurance that God was leading and guiding our lives. Not only did God have me

back in the States during this specific time but also God supplied the very doctor who had performed surgery on me a year and a half earlier, a compassionate doctor and the best-skilled surgeon for Donna's need. Our steps are certainly ordered by the Lord and we are so thankful for His watchcare over us. Dr. Stanley made the diagnosis and do to the acute stage, surgery could not wait. She was immediately admitted and the surgery was performed the next day. Please continue to pray for her recovery. What a blessing to know that in this time when so many things can become discouraging, our Lord and God is the enabler and provider in times of trial for us all! When we do not know what to do, God in His mercy steps in and makes the way plain. Our prayer is that this experience will encourage you to know that our God is wonderfully there for all of us and will guide you in all things.

Thank you again for your continued support and prayers. We are grateful to be an extension of your ministry and service to the Lord through missions. Please pray as we continue to distribute Bibles and reach souls in Papua New Guinea.











Brother Max