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Dear Friends,

In recent weeks, there has been rioting in the two largest cities in the country of Papua New Guinea—Port Moresby and Lae. Over 15 people were killed and many injured due to workers not being paid. There has also been tribal fighting in the Enga province, resulting in over 50 people killed within the last month. Many homes and businesses were burned. Much of the problems is caused by the poverty in the country or fighting among the tribes. A few months ago, a business advertised that they desired to hire 100 workers. Over 10,000 people showed up in hopes of gaining employment!

In spite of this turmoil, I continually receive invitations to come to even more remote areas asking for Bibles and for someone to teach them. It burdens me so deeply and I wish that I were ten men instead of one and a lot younger because there is so much that could be done. Papua New Guinea has such an open door for someone to come and shine the light of the Gospel to those in need by teaching and preaching God's Word. No one knows how long this door will be open. Over one million fifty-thousand Bibles have been distributed and that same number of young people have heard the Gospel. I am grateful that where sin abounds grace abounds even more. Will you pray with me that the Lord of the harvest will send forth laborers into His harvest field?

Since the beginning of the year, the cost of paper, printing, and postage to send out our prayer letters by postal service has increased greatly. Our desire is to be good stewards of God's provisions, but more importantly, it is our desire to keep those who are interested in our ministry well informed. Some churches and individuals have requested emails of our ministry updates instead. We also realize others prefer a hard copy of the letter sent through the mail. In trying to be wise stewards of God's financial gifts, we would like to know which is the best way to keep you informed, either by email or letter.

The updates by email will be sent in a PDF format so they can easily be printed for distribution. If you would like to request the PDF format instead of a letter in the mail, please email us at alanb@bimi.org. *Be sure and include your name, address, and email address to properly update our lists.* If I do not hear from you, nothing will be changed. You will still receive our update as you always have. I presently send out approximately 150 PDF emails every update at this time and if you are receiving both, please let me know your preference in receiving our prayer letters—email or hard copy. Thank you for your help in this matter. We are grateful for your interest in our ministry and for partnering with us.

Donna and I are very thankful for your prayers and specifically for praying for my health. These last few months have been a time of testing, but by God's grace and help, I continue to trust Him for healing and guidance. After multiple doctor appointments and more tests, I am cautiously moving forward. Please pray God will strengthen and enable us to finish the task God has set before us. We are grateful for those who choose to partner with us in our ministry in distributing Bibles and giving out the Gospel. Thank you again for your continued prayers and support.

Your Servants,

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