



Lewis and Judy's Labours of Joy

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*Yet I will rejoice in the LORD,
I will joy in the God of my salvation.
Habakkuk 3:18*

Translating Scripture, Preparing Bible Lessons,
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*For I am the LORD, I change not... Malachi 3:6a
For ever, O LORD, thy word is settled in heaven. Psalm 119:89*

CHANGES! We live in a changing world. Politically, economically, socially, physically, spiritually, in every way, our lives are changing. Life is so uncertain. People are confused and in despair. But there are two immutable things we can be absolutely certain will never change. There is no variability nor shadow of turning with the heavenly Father; and His word is forever settled in heaven. Any man who desires stability and peace in this changing world can find it through faith in the unchanging God and a life built upon His unchanging word.

Health issues that surfaced in August slowed down the amount of work that Judy is able to do. We praise God that a doctor's care and treatment were available, and the medications prescribed keep things under control. Although I cannot keep up with the same schedule I had before, I am thankful for the strength that God gives and that His grace is sufficient for each task He puts into my hands. Am also grateful for the extra help Lewis lends to lighten my load.

September was a quiet month at home as many of the Owena people were gone to town for one reason or another. We busied ourselves with a number of ministry projects during that time.



Nehemiah

Nehemiah and Dallas accepted an invitation to help out a Kainantu church with special music for the church's special meetings.

Amos and Mike were given opportunity to preach at LIBC (Liberty Independent Baptist Church) on Sunday afternoons.

At the end of the month, as Owenians returned to the village, a number of them came with mild to severe cases of illness. The corona virus had found its way into Owena.

In October, we were once again in Goroka for Judy's follow-up doctor appointment and to shop for needed supplies. However, because of the surge in corona virus cases in our province and talk of a lockdown, we came to town earlier than planned. A week and a half after arriving in town, we both came down with the virus. We were so thankful for a quiet place where we could quarantine and have undisturbed time to recuperate. We praise the Lord for His healing hand upon our bodies.

*Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above,
and cometh down from the Father of lights,
with whom is no variability, neither shadow of turning.
James 1:17*

It is now November. We are still in town, waiting for Judy's medicine to arrive from Australia. As we wait, we rest, work on ministry projects, and do a little shopping. We praise the Lord for opportunities to give out tracts at a little market just outside of town. (The big market is closed until the end of the lockdown.) Have also given a number of tracts to David, an Owena man now living in town, who has many chances to share the gospel with fellow employees.

Back in Owena, the virus continues to make its rounds. Ta'ita's (Mike's wife's) mother and an elderly lady recently passed away after being ill.

Amos and Nehemiah have been able to do public preaching in the village of Marivo, while Amos, Mike, and Dallas, are still being given opportunities to preach at LIBC.

Notes of Praise Needs for Prayer

- 1) Praise the Lord for daily strength, wisdom to do His work, healing from illness, His provision for all our needs.
- 2) Praise the Lord for Amos, Mike, and Dallas who are striving to be faithful in serving the Lord as they wait on His clear direction for their future ministry. Please continue to pray for them and their families.
- 3) Please pray for the virus to die down in Owena.
- 4) Pray for Judy's medicine to come soon so we can get back to Owena.
- 5) Praise the Lord that we finally received our three boxes of items that were sent to us via ship late last year.
We are still waiting for black ink that was sent earlier this year by USPS by one of our supporting churches, and also for school books and other teaching material that have been ordered for the Christian school.

Because He is worthy,
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6) Pray for much-needed rain. The Owena people's food supply is running short because they have been unable to plant new gardens as the ground is too dry and hard for digging.

7) Pray for the many souls who still need to be saved and for more opportunities for outreach and public preaching of the gospel. Our earnest desire is to see lives changed by the preaching of the cross.

8) Pray that we'll soon be able to start the new session of Soldiers of Christ Missionary School.

9) And last but not least, pray for laborers to reap the harvest, for it is great and the laborers are few. The time is short, and the Lord's return is at hand. Many will be forever lost if we are not faithful.

Thanks so much to all of you who faithfully pray!

