

the Childs Family

GOD'S SERVANTS TO PAPUA NEW GUINEA

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Lauren's health. Thank you so much for offering up prayers to God for Lauren's health. As you know from our last prayer letter, we took a trip to Australia in December to see a different doctor about Lauren's health. She prescribed a medicine to help Lauren, and we were encouraged to see this medication begin to help her. We mentioned that we would need to evaluate Lauren's health after three months, to see whether it would be wise to continue our work here in Papua New Guinea, or whether we would need to return to the USA to get further medical help and rest for Lauren. We praise the Lord that her health has been gradually improving over the past couple of months! She has been able to keep up with homeschooling our three girls for over two months with almost no "sick days!" This has been a tremendous blessing, as she has not felt this well in several years. Lauren has even been able to decrease the dosage of her medicine slightly, showing us that her body is recovering and is not quite as dependent on the medicine as it was a few months ago!

project, but we are quite pleased with how nice they look. I have been able to teach the church men to use many of the power tools, so they have been able to do much of the labor-intensive work. We just completed all 14 pews, except for the hymn book rack on the back of them! We still need to install the windows, pour a cement step, and complete a few other small projects. As soon as everything is finished, we plan to have a special church opening. Would you pray with us that this opening ceremony would be well-attended by unsaved people and that some would accept Christ?

Regular church ministries. Of course, we still have our weekly church services and public market preaching ministry. I recently finished a series on the biblical principles concerning finances. The Christians were challenged by what the Bible says, but we are praying that they will be willing to go against the majority of people and choose to actually obey what they have learned! The small-group Monday Bible studies also continue to be a blessing to the Christians.

In Christ,

Ben Childs



Building project. The church men and I continue spending many hours each week working on the church building project. The interior of the auditorium is finished, and we were working on the construction of 14 pews. This has been a very time-consuming

Praise

- Lauren's health is continuing to improve.
- Work to finish the church project is going well.

Prayer

- Pray for us to be able to move into our new church building very soon.
- Please pray for Lauren's health to keep improving.
- Keep praying for our Christians to grow closer to God.

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