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*And Simon Peter answered and said, Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God.
—Matthew 16:16*

Week after week, we continue reaching, training, and discipling. What an honour it is to serve Him! On Sunday evenings, I get to lead a group of men and ladies at a nearby gas plant in church services. We have done this for the last eight years, and it has been amazing to watch them grow in their spiritual walk. It is just one of the things we do, reaching our city and beyond. I'm encouraged as I see some of these come to faith in Christ and continue to remain in contact after they move to other countries.



Could I ask for your prayer on a long-standing matter? A little over ten years ago, we were blessed with the 15-acre property that we now call the campus for Capital City Baptist Church and ministries. The Lord blessed in amazing ways in order for us to get this property. We properly vetted the owners of the land, but when we went to process our title (only 3% of the land in PNG has been surveyed and titled), we learned that someone else had fraudulently obtained a title over our property—three years after we moved onto the property! That person attempted to extort us to pay him or be evicted. Of course, we could not afford to pay him, so we took the matter to court. The matter has been in the National Court since 2018. The judge finally heard the case in May, and we are awaiting the judge's ruling. Our church is fasting and praying around the clock, asking God to settle this matter once and for all. If the judge rules that the title was fraudulent, we will be able to process our title; however if the judge rules that the title stands, we could be evicted from this property. Land issues are simply a headache here in Papua New Guinea. Would you pray with us? We expect the ruling to come from the judge any day.

In May, Hannah graduated from Bob Jones University, and we had the privilege of watching her walk across the platform and get her diploma. We are thankful for her, and glad to have her spending another summer with us here in Port Moresby.

The original floor in the church was peeling and needed to be replaced. Nobody here has done floor epoxy before, so it was back to YouTube for me. (In case I never told you, I built our house from YouTube. You can learn a lot there!) Several of the guys here joined me, and in five very long days, we stripped the floor, ran the concrete floor grinders, cleaned it thoroughly and then applied five coats of epoxy and urethane. Hopefully this one "sticks."

Sincerely,
Matt and Becky Allen