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A Little Technology Help

R unning a computer in a village with no connection to any sort of electrical grid is sometimes a challenge. When we lived in the village full-time, we had a house with a solar panel on the roof, as well as a battery, controller, and inverter to plug the computer into. Now that Larry is going to the village for shorter trips, it's not practical to travel with a giant solar

panel, heavy battery, and fragile controller.

One of our resident Language Technology Consultants solved this issue by letting us know about a small portable type of solar panel available online that works well for charging transformer-type tablet/laptops directly from the panel with a USB cable (long cable also purchased online).

And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, ...who are the called according to his purpose.

Romans 8:28 KJV



Praises:

- Technology that works!
- New Testaments and Bible portions are being finished!
- Safe travel to and from Buka Island.
- A good school year so far for Christy as she teaches preschool.

Requests:

- The Solos team as they need to do several translation steps in the coming months. Progress this year has been slow.
- Pray for Lawrance & Amaziah to be diligent about their school work.
- Ask the Lord for more managers to oversee projects and translation programs in the regions of PNG.
- Wisdom in allocating new translation teams to languages with needs.

Thankfully we had purchased an 11-inch tablet/laptop as Christy's primary computer while on furlough.

Larry's September/October village visit was the first chance to test this set-up, and it let him and the team work all day every day on the computer! The whole set-up travels well and weighs less than our 'main' laptop.



Bible Translators in Partnership with COGH World Mission Dept. & Wycliffe Bible Translators

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Communication and Technical Specialists

In this section we have been looking at support roles that need to be filled in missions. Last time we looked at managers. This newsletter the focus is on technology. This is another major need in missions today!

We do translation and linguistic work using special software designed and updated by other specialist missionaries, some of whom need to live here. We also need lots of help to deal with technical difficulties, and find solutions to very unique problems, as mentioned on the front page. Everyone also needs lots of training on the new programs and technical solutions that come up. We also have a small crew of dedicated people working at our mission centers to keep the phones and internet working so you can get this newsletter.

It takes very special people to do this kind of work. If you can design apps, maintain networks and servers, are good at programming, are radio and antenna savvy, do tech support, run a phone system, skillfully repair hardware, or any other kind of techie work, there's likely a place in missions for you!







Pictures by Faith Turner

Recently a shipment of brand new Menya New Testaments (to be dedicated in February) arrived here. They needed to be stored in the warehouse until they can be delivered to the village locations. Larry joined a group of people and helped with moving two pallets of boxes of Bibles and getting them up to the top shelf. Larry was the ladder man. There were about 20 boxes on each pallet, and 40 Bibles in each box. It was heavy and hard work, but thank God for these Bibles that are ready to go out to the Menya people in PNG!

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