

Ukarumpa

# **HUFFMANS' NEWS**

Cairns

## Transforming lives through the translated Word of God

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# Greetings from Cairns, Australia!

THANK YOU dear prayer partners for praying for us. We surely need your prayers now at this difficult time.

- \* Typesetting for the Nehan New Testament started on March 8. (see photo to left) Glennon's began translating in 1985.
- Ariana Glennon broke her leg in three places while in Ukarumpa, necessitating surgery in Australia.
- Glennon's son and wife are suffering since their newborn baby died on March 22. It was their only child after 9 years of marriage.

The typesetting should be finished in early May. The New Testament dedication on Nissan Island is currently planned for January 15, 2011. Thank you for all your prayers for us and for the Glennons over these many years. Together we will soon see God's Word in the hands of the Nehan people.

# **Glennon's Prayer Requests**

During typesetting the Glennons have been sending out daily prayer requests and updates by email. I've been forwarding them to you who are on our email distribution list. Sorry, I'm not able to send all these on to you who receive our postings by regular mail, but if you want to start getting all our Prayer Lists via email, just let me know.

Here is a summary of some of the prayer points from the Glennons over the last couple weeks:

\* There are **four national translators** on the translation team with the Glennons, and they all live on Nissan Island. They have to travel by boat to another island called Buka where they can catch a plane to Port Moresby and then another plane to Ukarumpa. The boats are very unreliable and dangerous. Just getting them to Ukarumpa was a major challenge. They were planning to arrive in Ukarumpa in early February. Two of them finally arrived at the end of February, and the other two should be arriving there by March 31.

#### • Pray for safe travels for the other two national translators.

- \* Just a few days ago (March 18) the Glennon's son, Kurt, and his wife, Joanie, had their first child, a girl (Elliana), but she was born 5 weeks prematurely and had muscular dystrophy. The doctor was not optimistic about the baby surviving, but Kurt was very strong in his faith for her complete healing.
  - We have had much prayer for Elliana, but the Lord took her home to be with Him on March 22.
- \* John and Ariana are making plans (now it is March 23) to go to Florida to be with their son and daughter-in-law and the rest of the family.
  - Those getting this by email can pray that all the arrangements can be made and travel goes well. We have made most of the airline bookings today. They will already be in Florida by the time you get this via post.
  - All of you, please pray for God's comfort for the entire family.
  - John and Ariana will get there in time for the funeral on Saturday, March 27.
  - John will return to PNG in a couple weeks to finish the typesetting. In the mean time, the two national translators (Tony and Rimen) are continuing the work on typesetting with Emma, the computer typesetting specialist.
- \* Pray also for healing of Ariana's broken leg. More about that in the next section.



## Why are David & Linda in Australia?

A couple weeks ago Ariana tripped on a step outside their house and broke her leg in three places. She needed traveling companions to help her in order that John could stay at Ukarumpa to finish the typesetting. So Linda and I came along to help.

Monday morning (March 8) we took Ariana to the doctor's office in Cairns, Australia, and by 10am she was admitted to the hospital. The operation was at 7 pm Monday night. After three nights in the hospital she came back with us to Tree Tops motel to recuperate. She is doing

"..."If you abide in My word, then you are truly disciples of Mine; and you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." John 8:31b-32. NASB

#### Praise

- \* Praise that we finally have a **decision** on the software for the finance project. The past few months have been very intense.
- \* Looks like we finally have a **renter** for our house in Dallas.

### Prayer

- \* Linda has small **fractures on two ribs**. She went to the Ukarumpa Clinic and they said that these will heal on their own. Pray for healing as these do bother Linda, and she has some difficulty getting a good deep breath.
- \* Extra funds needed for this Cairns trip.

well. John and Ariana plan to go to the US for the grandbaby's funeral departing Cairns on March 25. Linda and I will stay in Cairns until our return flight to Ukarumpa on Wednesday March 31.

It is amazing how the Lord timed everything to come together for this unexpected trip! Linda had done a number of household chores a day earlier than usual and was ready to go. And the big decision on the finance project was settled the day before we left so I was free to go.

Be diligent to present yourself approved to God as a workman who does not need to be ashamed, handling accurately the word of truth." 2 Timothy 2:15

<u>We really appreciate your prayers</u> during this time of typesetting the Nehan New Testament. We know that Satan does not want the Nehan people to get God's Word in their own language, because that gives them greater access to the Truth. And as John says in John 8:32, the "Truth shall set them free". Pray that the Holy Spirit will mightily use the Word of Truth among the Nehan people.

A challenge for us who have the Word of God: are we reading and studying the Word so that God's Truth can set us free from sin and the deceptions of Satan's lies?

Praying and Serving Together, David & Linda Huffman

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