## The Hawes Family Missionaries to Papua New Guinea

Dear Praying Brothers and Sisters,

September 12, 2024

Thank you for your prayers for Leandra's health. We praise the Lord that her endoscopy showed that it is not her celiac disease flaring up! She had a CT scan as well which did not show anything serious. From the endoscopy and CT scan, the doctor saw inflammation and has decided to put her on an antibiotic to see if this will take care of her issues. We are waiting for our insurance to approve the medication as the doctor said it is very expensive. She is also on a very restrictive elimination diet to see if she has developed a new food intolerance.

God has answered your prayers! We have received verbal approval of our registration and accreditation for the Theology program at Goroka Baptist Bible College! This is now an incredible opportunity for our local brothers to take the reigns of leadership. Please pray as we facilitate them taking more leadership in the college. Tim will step down as academic vice president by the end of the year to go full-time with the Bible Clubs in the public schools.

Please pray earnestly as we seek to expand the Bible Clubs in Hela province which will bring the number of children to 8,000 a week by May of next year. God has marvelously provided the funds for 2024 through your many sacrifices, but as we look forward to 2025 it will cost us \$1.29 per student per month to provide curriculum, a teacher, training, and prizes for the Bible Clubs. If you know someone who would be willing to partner with us in 2025, would you please share this link with them? Thanks again for slowing down and praying for the Bible Clubs when you come to a school crossing.

Furlough travel has been a bit of a challenge as we continually return to PA for doctor's visits. Lydia just had her endoscopy on Tuesday (previously, her bloodwork showed it was highly likely that she has celiac disease as well.) We should find out the results in a week. Despite our crazy schedule with doctors' appointments, we have had meetings in ten States so far and have greatly enjoyed fellowship and reporting to our

supporting churches! Lydia and Levi have learned a lot about the States, including the mind-boggling fact that you can baptize someone in the church without the need to walk to the river. Lord willing, we will begin our return to PNG on October 9<sup>th</sup>.

For His glory, Tim, Leandra, Lydia, and Levi Hawes



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