

JIM AND EMI CIVALE — YOUR MISSIONARIES TO SAMOA

Testifying... repentance toward God, and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ. ACTS 20:21

PRAYER LETTER ~ FEBRUARY 8, 2017

Dear Friends,

We were in high gear last month with furlough travels to four different states. God's people have been so gracious and kind to us and we thank God for each and every one of them.

Emi returned to Samoa at the end of January and will not rejoin me on furlough until June. We had hoped that we would not need to be apart for so long, but some unexpected staffing changes in the school necessitated her return to and stay in Samoa.



ACTING PASTOR: We are praising God for the good work of our acting pastor, Sopo Tanielu. We are delighted to report that under his preaching, the church saw a visiting couple walk the aisle and receive Christ as Savior last month. Praise God, they and their children are now attending services regularly and want to follow the Lord in believer's baptism. (picture: Brother Sopo, in the red shirt, with two others preparing Samoan Bibles to distribute)

THIRD CHURCH PLANT POSSIBILITY: A church in the main village on our island has approached us about totally taking over their work. This would mean we would have a church building and a parsonage to use from the outset to start the third church. It also means we would not need to go through the long and difficult process of getting the village chiefs to approve a new church in the village as was the case in our second church plant.

SAMOAN BIBLE CAMPAIGN: We have seen tremendous results in getting the Word of God into the hands and homes of people in more than twenty villages, but we have now exhausted our supply of Bibles. This great work simply *must* continue as there are still more than 300 villages we have not reached. In conjunction with the start of our third church plant later this year, we wish to expand our house-to-house visits and Bible distributions. We already have two printing ministries lined up and ready to print Bibles. The only thing we need is for the Lord to provide the funds. Please pray and contribute to this most worthy endeavor as the Lord leads. Just \$25 will bless 5 people with their own Bible. How many will the Lord bless through your gift? Please send a check of any amount to...

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