

# The Civale Family Prayer Letter October/November 2013

*I will praise the name of God with a song, and will magnify him with thanksgiving. Psalm 69:30*

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Dear Praying Friends,

With Thanksgiving just celebrated in Canada and coming up in the US, Emi and I are counting our blessings one by one. Certainly, your prayers and friendship are high on that blessed list.

Lord willing, in five weeks Emi will join me here in the US – I can't wait! Then, seven weeks later, we will return to work with our preachers-in-training, the church, and the school in Asau. Friends, I am so encouraged each week when I speak with Emi on the phone and hear how well things are going in my absence – that souls continue to be saved, that the Word continues to be preached, and that the school continues to grow.

Emi and I are also very thankful for the amount of giving, both through the church in Asau and through our many supporting churches and friends. To think that in the last three years a church and school building have been constructed, high quality radio station equipment has been provided, Samoan tracts and New Testaments have been printed, and so much more has been done for the glory of God... well, all I can say is, "I will praise the name of God with a song, and will magnify Him with thanksgiving."

There are a number of needs to be met before we return to Samoa. As we list and describe each, please choose at least one that you will personally pray for during the next two months. Then, we can rejoice together as we watch God meet these needs in answer to prayer.

## **1. Bus ministry:**

We wish to begin a bus ministry to reach people in neighboring villages and eventually to see them become the core of new church plants in those villages. Praise God for \$4,000 already given but we still have a long way to go. Please pray these funds in!

## **2. ABC Academy:**

Emi's highest priority is for missionary teachers to come and work with her and the local teachers in the school. She also needs \$2,100 to purchase additional ABEKA curriculum for the upcoming school year (which starts in February of 2014). We are saving as much as we can by collecting donated materials on furlough, but we will still need to

make a significant purchase. Emi also needs \$1,500 for folding tables and other supplies that we would like to ship in December or January with the Bibles.



## **3. SHAPE Program (Samoan Hymn and Piano Education):**

Our last prayer letter detailed how God has called a piano teacher who will travel to Samoa with us in January to spend at least a year. He has also provided a beautiful brand new Yamaha 181 piano and some other much-needed equipment. Please pray in another \$3,800 to help with Hannah's airfare, piano books, additional equipment, and shipping.

## **4. Radio Station Equipment:**

As we are fine-tuning the automation system and sound editing software, we find ourselves in need of about \$1,250 more for wires, transformers, and shipping. Please pray!

## **5. Bible publication:**

Many of you followed the Samoan Bible Project over the last sixteen months and are rejoicing with us that everything was turned over to two different printers last month. Both ministries are seeking donations to help cover paper and printing costs. Any funds sent to us to help with the Bible project will be divided three ways. First, 10% will be applied to shipping costs; then, 45% will go to **BEAMS** and 45% to **BEACON OF TRUTH**, the two ministries printing the Samoan Bibles .

For additional information about any of these needs, please call or email us at (571) 765-0256 or [civalejim@yahoo.com](mailto:civalejim@yahoo.com).

Sincerely and gratefully ,

*Jim & Emi Civale*