

## **Thanks for Praying**

Thinking back to our quick update from earlier in the month we are amazed at all that the Lord has done. It seems that while we have had a fair few needs of late we have also seen the Lord undertake in amazing ways. It reminds us just how much we need to have people like all of you praying for us. Each step of our lives needs God's direct involvement.

Our trip up to BC for Canadian Thanksgiving went well. It was a lot of driving for one weekend but our time with Judith's family was great and the banquet and Sunday morning service went well. As is usually the case I was personally challenged to be more thankful as I was working to preach on Thankfulness. This is always a bonus when it comes to preparing for a sermon. On our way home we had a bit of a longish conversation at the border but in the end it really wasn't too much drama. Oh for the day when we get to heaven and there is no longer any earthly citizenship issues to deal with.

Right after returning from Canada we had a visit from our co-workers in Malaumanda, Bob and Noby Kennell. Now that we are out of the bush we rarely see them. The boys were still in school which allowed us to head over to the coast for one day. We were blessed with a cool but dry day and the fall leaves were stunning.

The next weekend Judith and I were able to drop the boys off at my parents house and spend 2 nights at the coast. This is something that NEVER happens while we are on the field so we enjoyed a brief break from life and ministry. The weatherman said that it was going to be cold and rainy but it only ended up being cold. We had strolls on the beach, cups of hot coffee, clam chowder in a sourdough bowl and some uninterrupted conversation.

This coming Sunday we will be at the missions conference at EBC here in Dallas, Oregon. This will be another excellent opportunity to share about missions as well as the ministry in Malaumanda and PNG. This church is only 25 minutes away so that is a bonus. Pray for us as Judith and I, and the boys will have different roles to play.

Thanks again for your prayers and faithful support. We love hearing from you all so feel free to drop us a line, text or call.

Blessings,

Eric and Judith, Stephen, Daniel and Timothy

## **Prayer and Praise**

- **Pray** for us as we participate in the missions Sunday at EBC in Dallas, Oregon. I will be preaching in two services on Sunday, participating in a missions panel discussion in between services. Judith and the boys will be sharing in a children's Sunday school class and then Judith and I will be doing a Malaumanda update and missions challenge that evening.
- **Praise** that Stephen is doing very well at the local public high school. **Pray** for him as he is in a drama production of "12 angry Jurors" that starts up this weekend.
- Praise that Judith has the ability to be here in the US until the end of May.
- **Pray** for the boys as they adjust to their school settings. **Pray** especially for Daniel as he tested good enough to take a High School level math class but it is challenging him to increase his self motivation.
- **Praise** the Lord for housing and vehicles while we are here in Oregon. Continue to **Pray** for our monthly support as it is still low which makes life 'interesting' at times.
- **Pray** for the translation work to be done in preparation for the final printing of the Malaumanda New Testament. **Pray** also for the Malaumanda church and specifically that the Lord would raise up 2 more elders to help carry the ministry load.

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Left: Bob and Noby with Judith and I at Lincoln City, Oregon. Right: Pastor Leonard from King Rd. MB church had us up front for a family Q&A time before I gave a missions challenge.