



Friedemann Urshitz 1966-'25

HONORING A LIFE OF SERVICE!



SEPIK BEGINNINGS

Friedmann's parents were missionaries in PNG with the Liebellzeller Mission of Germany/Austria. They were stationed in Ambunti and worked with churches in the Sepik River Basin. His upbringing instilled a life-long desire to serve the people of the region!

COMMUNICATIONS

The HF radio hisses and crackles and then we hear..."Break, break, PIM standing by." We will no longer hear his voice that communicated so frequently on the radio

- Douglas Heidema

OPENING UP YATOAM

Friedemann's heart was often in the wilds of PNG when he longed to adventure to remote places to bring the gospel, communication, and medical services to isolated communities like Yatoam.



1999. FRIEDEMANN RETURNS!

Along with his wife Elfriede and sons Friedemann returned to the Sepik with PIM. As a mechanic his skills were desperately needed and his passion to serve the remote village areas was born.

Yatoam

Because of Friedemann’s work the villagers of Yatoam now have an airstrip which has allowed pastors, teachers, medical workers and their supplies to come into the village. Before the airstrip it was a perilous 3 day hike through the mountains to reach the remote village.

(Caption on the picture says “Therefore we will praise the name of the Lord forever”)



“OLSEN NA YUMI KEN LITIMAPIM NEM BILONG GOD OLTAIM OLTAIM.”



TRIPS INTO THE DEEP BUSH

His trips to the bush at times would leave him exhausted or ill. On one trek he was so weakened by sickness that he had to be carried out on a bed of bush materials to the place where a canoe could transport him and the others in his party back to Ambunti.



“Friedemann could have died on those trips, but God spared his life multiple times!”

