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Dear Friends, Partners in God's will being done on earth as it is in heaven, Nathan Kiwok has been a faithful pastor in the village of Waiawos for years. Waiawos (WAI ah wus), was one of the first villages to welcome the gospel back in the late 1960's when Neal & Martha Kooyers took newly translated portions of scriptures around to several Washkuk villages. On 23 February 2026 Nathan gathered with 45 other pastors from up and down the Sepik River Valley for a week of teaching, worship and fellowship at the PIM headquarters in Ambunti. During the personal interview with Penny and three other pastors from his area he had this to say in praise to God: "I get overwhelmed when I try to express it, but in Christ God shows us many things; we overcome because he is with us"; on contentment and provision: "When we plant just a little bit of sweet potato, the Lord stretches it to be enough to do his work. I follow the principle of God—work hard and whether I have food or not and in whatever way he chooses to bless me, be content. It would not be good if I had plenty of food and goods in my house and then forgot God"; and on prayer support: "I give thanks for all the pastors and missionaries in PNG praying for me."

Nathan, like most of the pastors in the Sepik River Valley, dreams about putting up a permanent church building, "one with iron posts." And like most of the other pastors who do not get paid for their work, he struggles to come up with school tuition payments for his children. But the main thing on his heart was, "Pray for my wife. She's been sick on and off since 2000 when she experienced an attack from local sorcerers. After she works hard, certain parts of her body start having a lot of pain. When we both pray, she is all right. I worry about her when I have to leave for days at a time. Please pray for her."

Nathan returned to the interview room the next day to add this: "Pray for the Brugam churches; the TOD cult has cut deep divisions between Christians. In January I took my daughter to enroll in Brugam High School. That Sunday torrential rains and flooding slowed our progress to the church where I preached. A remark by one of the leaders kept me awake all night before the Lord. In the morning I spoke with him again, earnestly and humbly. I also heard reports about the churches where Ray W. taught for four days at Christmas. They are making good strides to heal division and resist TOD temptations. Pray!"

The challenge to keep our PIM Ambunti outpost with electricity, flush toilets on septic systems, housing for attendees at conferences, and printed materials (Melvin Dotinga packed all his in this time, because you can never be sure about PIM's copier) is increasing as the price of fuel hikes up. But the pastors are always so grateful that PIM is still a source of teaching, friendship, truth and supply. It is the highlight of the year for us (Eric & Penny) and for Ray Wangimbi. Richard T'Hart from Perth, Australia, joined us too this year. Thank you to all of you for the part you play! God's will is being done and his kingdom is coming in and around us.

With overflowing gratefulness for all the Lord Jesus is to us,
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