

BEHIND US AND BEFORE US

RENEWING OUR WORK PERMIT WITH THE PNG GOVERNMENT

Every three years we have to renew our work permit and visas to remain in PNG. A significant part of the application is listing training and development activities for the previous 3 years. This proves that you have done what your work permit meant for you to do.

Our visas are up for renewal now. I randomly chose Don's report on 2014, for some sample statistics.

42—Number of people who received some sort of training directly from Don or from a course he was instrumental in running.

3—Types of organisations we worked with to deliver this training. They included World Hope Australia, Wesleyan Bible College of PNG and assorted PNG church congregations

5—Locations throughout PNG where these courses were offered.

That is one family member's report for one year. Never mind what Cheri does. Or Stephen did to help with Bible translation in 2014. Or ministries of compassion that do not go on the training report.

COMING UP

JULY—Don teaches a carpentry course

AUGUST—Assist the Bible College with running the annual retreat for students and staff

SEPTEMBER—Potential date for the grand opening of Phase 1 of the Fugwa Wesleyan Health Centre Renovations and Extensions

OCTOBER—William (our middle son) travels to Coffs Harbour, NSW, to sit the HSC exams

NOVEMBER—Bible College graduation and National Church Board meetings

Following the Floyds

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LOCAL INITIATIVES

Sometimes we pay for their services or buy their products. Other times we donate some spare parts to use in their business.

Sometimes we offer our expertise and physical labour once we see the local initiative has gained momentum. Other times we do nothing more than stop, have a chat and praise their efforts.

In Australia, it is easy to think that contribution or support means money. Sometimes that is true. Other times physical labour, ingenuity, garden produce, prayers and team work are even more valuable contributions.

Photos from top to bottom:
1. "What are you doing?"
"I'm an umbrella mechanic", he answered. Everyone in PNG carries umbrellas, which protect from equatorial sun AND tropical rain. Next time our umbrella breaks we know where to go!

2. The local phone repair shop!

3. Kukuipa congregation continues its efforts to build a church facility. Sundays they meet in the open air. Weekdays the young men of the church manhandle timber across deep drains, pushing/dragging it to a place where it can be cut by a mobile sawmill.

4. "You are working hard!"
From 2.5m down, he said, "Yes, our medical aid post has been closed for a while. We want it to open again. But the ground needs to be drained well. Also this boundary ditch will keep pigs out."



A "MISSIONARY KID'S" PERSPECTIVE



Stephen, on break from Southern Wesleyan University, has come back to visit the land of his birth for the first time since leaving home 2 1/2 years ago. We asked him to share the highlights of being back.

Top left. With Orawi, a PNG saint who has supported our family well, for many years, through his faithful prayers.

Top right. Stephen wanted to eat marata while here. Our national superintendent, Roy Mung, who hosted the meal, asked Stephen to mix the dish. A sign that he is grown up.

Bottom left. Another sign that Papua New Guineans consider Stephen a man now. He was asked to help butcher a pig for a feast.

Bottom right. Heni and Stephen have been mates since they were pre-schoolers. Together again.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
MINISTRIES OF COMPASSION
LEADERSHIP EMPOWERMENT

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