

MATZKE MESSENGER



Emily visiting our Post Office box - a favorite childhood stop

EMILY SURPRISED MARTHA BY COMING TO THE SOLOMONS FOR A VISIT OVER EASTER WEEK! WOW, SUCH A FUN TREAT! (TIM WAS IN ON THE SURPRISE.)

Plan 'B'

In our last letter, we shared our plans to go to the USA for six months to help Sarah get settled at JBU (John Brown University). Challenges in finding someone to fill in for us while we are out of the country have caused us to change our plans. After discussing it with Emily, Sarah, and

our administrator, we have made a change in our plans.

After attending Sarah's graduation (June 16) in Papua New Guinea, we fly to Dallas on June 18. Road trips to Minnesota and Michigan to see family are planned, as well as a family vacation in Canada.

In mid-August, we will go to Arkansas for JBU orientation and then Tim and I

will return to Dallas. In early September, we will fly back to the Solomon Islands. We are planning on returning to the USA in November to spend Thanksgiving and Christmas with the girls.

While we are in the USA, we will continue to serve as Directors from a distance, answering emails and making decisions.



YES, WE HAVE (BIG!) BANANAS

Things that make us smile!



CUTE BROTHERS



RETURNING COLLEAGUES

Prayer Needs:

- We have been planning on using our tax refund to purchase a car in the USA, but so far we have not received the refund. **Please pray the tax refund will come through and we will be able to purchase a reliable car.**
- Sarah is facing big changes in her life. **Pray for a good transition as Sarah finishes high school and enters college.**
- It will be a bit of a balancing act to spend time with Sarah and Emily and visit family while continuing to cover our responsibilities for the work in the Solomon Islands. **Pray that we will be able to do it all well.**
- The multi-lingual education program is going well. **Pray that it continues to run well while Tim is out of the country.**
- The summer months have historically have been lower income months for us. **Please pray that the Lord will provide what we need and we will be wise stewards of the gifts we receive through His people.**

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IMMIGRATION

MANY HOURS OVER THE PAST MONTHS HAVE BEEN SPENT APPLYING FOR RESIDENCY PERMITS FOR COLLEAGUES AND FILING THEM AT IMMIGRATION. A NEW APPLICATION PROCESS HAS MADE THE PROCESS MORE CHALLENGING. WE ARE SO GRATEFUL THE SOLOMON ISLANDS GOVERNMENT ALLOWS US TO LIVE AND SERVE HERE.



NEW BOOKS

AS PART OF THE MULTI-LINGUAL EDUCATION PROGRAM, TIM OVERSEES THE PRODUCTION OF READING MATERIALS IN THE SA'A AND AROSI LANGUAGES. THIS SA'A TEACHER IS HAPPY TO HAVE NEW BOOKS FOR HER CLASSROOM.

AN UNEXPECTED BLESSING WAS A VISITING AUSTRALIAN TEACHER WHO HAS BEEN A HUGE HELP TO TIM THE PAST FEW MONTHS.



TEAMWORK

DAVID TAGO IS THE DIRECTOR OF THE LOCAL BIBLE TRANSLATION ORGANIZATION. WE WORK TOGETHER IN PLANNING BIBLE TRANSLATION AND LITERACY PROJECTS. RECENTLY TIM AND DAVID HAVE BEEN WORKING ON PROJECT PLANNING AND BUDGETS.