

The DAKU FAMILY

PROCLAIMING THE GOSPEL TO THE UNREACHED PACIFIC



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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As we enter this new year of 2021, we are amazed at the Lord's faithfulness. Thirteen years ago, we embarked on this mission journey. The Lord has been faithful each step of the way. The steps in which He has led us have sometimes taken unexpected turns, but God has never failed. We are reminded of Psalms 37:25 which states, *"I have been young and now am old; yet have I not seen the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging bread."* Thank you for your faithfulness to support our family and the ministry in Kiribati. There is a lighthouse burning brightly for the cause of Christ in Kiribati, because of your faithful prayers and financial support throughout these past thirteen years.



Bearing Precious Seed in Milford, Ohio, is finalizing the Kiribati Bibles. The pages of God's Word have been printed, and they are now in the process of printing the cover and binding the Bibles. I was able to travel to Milford in January to see it firsthand. It thrilled my heart to see God's Word in the Kiribati language printed, knowing soon it will reach the hands of the dear Kiribati people. So many of you have given sacrificially to this project. We are grateful and have counted it a privilege to partner together with you in this endeavor. We are grateful for the heart of Bearing Precious Seed and their desire to get God's Word into the hands of people all around the World. We are also in the process of printing Kiribati tracts that will accompany these Bibles. Please continue to pray that God will soften the hearts of those who will receive a copy of God's Word.

For the past year, a Fijian pastor has been in Kiribati assisting Brother Abwai in leading the work at Tarawa Baptist Church. Fiji Airways offered a return flight in



January for Fijian citizens who had been stuck in Kiribati since March of last year. Pastor and Mrs. Ravaii were able to get on that flight and have completed the mandatory 14-day quarantine. We are grateful for their ministry in Kiribati, but they are greatly needed in Fiji. Please pray for Brother Abwai as he is now leading the work. God is using Him greatly, and we are thrilled to see Him lead the work of Tarawa Baptist Church with great zeal and a burden for the lost.

Will you please join us in praying for my mother, Martha Daku. She and my father have faithfully served the Lord in missions for over 30 years. We have just found out that my mom has aggressive cancer. Currently, there is only one flight out of Fiji per week via New Zealand. We are grateful they were able to get tickets on the next flight. She is returning to the States for further testing and treatments. First and foremost, we are praying God will heal her body. We are also praying God will direct their steps throughout this journey.

Borders remain closed in the Pacific. Although we are actively involved in the ministry there from afar, we are excited to serve the Lord here at The Passage Northwest in Heron, Montana. Our family arrived in December and have been busy settling into life in the cold Northwest. It is quite an adjustment from the Equatorial Pacific. Already, God has given us countless opportunities to be a light in this dark region of America. Nine students from Crown College have just joined us on the property to spend a semester of ministry. Please pray for us as we minister together with these students in this needy area. We know that if America continues to turn her back on God, she will cease to send missionaries around the world. Oh, may we all be busy reaching not only those around the world with the Gospel, but those who live next door.

Again, thank you for your faithful prayers and support. We are grateful to have served together with you for 13 years. May God continue to use us all in such a time as this.

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