

Prayerline August – September 2019

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August

1 Papua New Guineans who received JAARS-backed video training have produced and recorded a video addressing the issue of sorcery killings. Praise God for its already significant impact.

2 After 70 years of hardship and perseverance, the Tonac* Mixtec New Testament has finally been completed and dedicated! *Rejoice with those who rejoice* (Romans 12:15a).

3 Praise for the opportunity afforded JAARS Clinic to minister to the local Christian community by giving immunizations to members of area churches in preparation for mission trips.

4 JAARS Aviation Training will be conducting technical evaluations for prospective candidates from two partner organizations in August. Pray God will grant wisdom in the evaluations.

5 Pray God will use Brigade Air Camp at JAARS August 5–9 to inspire young people to serve in mission aviation.

6 The Magend Children's Bible (Asia) is close to completion. Pray God will lead the team to an illustrator for the Bible to create pictures that capture the love of God.

7 The Easter Story portion of the *LUKE* video was recently completed in Dhao (Indonesia and West Timor) by Vernacular Media at JAARS. Pray God will transform lives for his glory through this video.

8 JAARS Missions at the Airport will be in McPherson, Kansas, August 10–11. Pray for the Lord's guidance as Mike Mower plans and directs these events.

9 Pray missionaries will experience God's grace as they transition to JAARS from overseas, some for short furloughs and others permanently. Both types of transitions carry stress.

10 There is a growing need to identify and develop Scripture translation programs among Deaf communities in the Pacific. Ask God to provide leaders in the region for this initiative.

11 A 20-foot sea-cargo container packed at JAARS is scheduled to arrive in Cameroon late August. Pray for keen attention to detail as the new shipping coordinator in Cameroon prepares customs documents.

12 Praise God for the completion of three short films that incorporate Bible texts with images from Lenthomi* (Central Asia) culture. Pray these videos will raise interest in Lenthomi Scripture.

13 LimboLinks at JAARS, a gathering for women in transition from living overseas, provides an opportunity for learning, fellowship, and prayer. Pray God will minister deeply in the lives of those who attend.

14 Pray for a fruitful Summit 2019 starting today, hosted at JAARS by International Media Services (IMS). The program will address cutting-edge issues in global media and translation: migration, diaspora, urbanization, multilingualism, and multimodal strategies. **15** Pray God will impart wisdom and grace to JAARS Chaplain John Williams as he counsels, comforts, and communicates prayer needs to the greater JAARS community.

16 Bible translation on Manus Island, Papua New Guinea, requires exhausting travel. Ask the Lord to provide an assistant to help the current leader.

17 Pray the Lord will call the persons of his choosing to Communications openings at JAARS: managing editor, production coordinator, and photo librarian.

18 Wycliffe Switzerland is expanding fundraising efforts for Bible translation. Ask God to bless events designed to build partner relationships with field organizations.

19 Give thanks! The JAARS Land Transportation training team is making good use of the newer training vehicle and upgraded training area God has provided.

20 The Ngbugu New Testament translation in Central African Republic is nearing completion. Pray staff will persevere, energized by the end goal of seeing lives transformed by God's living Word.

21 Pray for insight for the JAARS Young Adult Ministry team as they connect with students in college and minister to challenges they face.

22 Pray for completion of the Bamunka (Cameroon) New Testament draft which has encountered many obstacles.

23 The JAARS Spiritual Vitality team plans events that spiritually enrich and strengthen the JAARS community. Pray for God's direction and provision of staff.

24 Praise that God has encouraged the Cuicateco (Mexico) translation team to persevere. As a result of hearing the book of Luke, many Cuicateco have become interested in learning to read their own language.

25 Pray for discernment, creativity, and compassion as leaders guide the TCK (Third Culture Kids) Care and Education department at JAARS.

26 The Ayta Mag-Indi (Philippines) New Testament is almost finished and 50 songs have been produced for the dedication. Pray voices raised in praise at the dedication will magnify Christ.

27 Pray that participants in the JAARS Widowed Network, an outreach of JAARS Transitions Ministries, will experience love, encouragement, and healing.

28 Pray for more translators and people to record audio Scriptures for the Fini people, a potentially dangerous work that could lead to persecution.

29 Pray the Lord will raise up a Director of Prayer and Spiritual Development to lead JAARS in this area.

30 After 20 years of hard work, the Northern Thai New Testament was dedicated last year. Praise God for his faithfulness in guiding this project to completion.

31 International Media Services (IMS) at JAARS has 53 Scripture video projects underway in 23 countries. Ask the Lord to provide needed technical staff.

September

1 JAARS Missions at the Airport events include Apex, North Carolina, September 14–15, Carlisle, Pennsylvania, September 21–22 and Ashland, Ohio, September 28–29. Pray for safety and good staff interaction with attendees.

2 Praise God for the completed Ngomba (Cameroon) New Testament. Ask him to give the Ngomba people teachable hearts as they continue to grow in the truth of his Word.

3 Pray for the safe arrival of a 40-foot sea-cargo container packed by JAARS in late June and shipped to Papua New Guinea (PNG). Pray for smooth passage through customs.

4 Pray for wisdom and guidance from the Lord for the assessment of the Capiznon language in the Philippines as a possible New Testament translation project.

5 Persevering prayer is essential for JAARS—for the people we are striving to reach and for the effectiveness of our own work. Pray your heart will be strengthened to persevere with us in prayer.

6 The Nkeniso* language team is spread over four countries on two continents, working in three dialects. Pray team members remain healthy and unified as they complete the translation.

7 Pray for needs in Global Technology and Information Services at JAARS: project manager, application developer, network security engineer, and field systems manager.

8 Trainers from JAARS Aviation will conduct a consult visit at Moody Aviation this week. Praise God for this opportunity to mentor future aviation servants.

9 JAARS Learning & Development trainers know firsthand the challenges of overseas ministry. Pray for relevance and impact as they prepare missionaries for multicultural service.

10 Pray for two vernacular media specialists as they come alongside seven language groups in the Philippines to dub the *JESUS* film. Pray these recordings will draw many people to Christ.

11 Pray for efforts at JAARS to engage people, churches, and organizations in nearby Charlotte to become involved in the mission of JAARS.

12 Pray Bible trauma healing programs will be conduits of God's mercy in Central African Republic. Ask him to end insurgent conflict and fulfill his purposes for Bible translation work here.

13 JAARS Purchasing and Shipping needs long-term staff to maintain shipping services for missionaries around the world. Ask God to provide.

14 Ask God to give wisdom to the Zapoteco (Mexico) team as they translate the book of Exodus—for precision and use of the best terms to communicate biblical concepts.

15 Praise the Lord who continues to bring committed servants for part-time, volunteer, and full-time ministry at JAARS. Ask for his continued blessing.

16 Nateni and Biali peoples in northern Benin celebrated the arrival of their New Testaments last year. Pray God's Word will produce a harvest of righteousness in these groups.

17 The JAARS Aviation helicopter will visit area schools in Carlisle, Pennsylvania, September 17–20 and Ashland, Ohio, September 24–27. Pray many children will be introduced to the exciting world of mission aviation.

18 In Africa the Gbeya, Kabba, and Ngbugu New Testament translations are nearing completion. Pray for alertness as teams use translation software to carefully check the manuscripts.

19 Oftentimes, a motorbike is the best means for a translation worker to reach remote villages. Praise God he has enabled JAARS to provide these motorbikes, and also training, support, and safety gear.

20 Pray Lenthomi* believers will persevere in the face of opposition and boldly demonstrate the reality of new life in Jesus.

21 Children and adults love to listen to recorded Bible stories and sometimes entire communities gather to watch the *JESUS* film. Pray the film-dubbing efforts of IMS at JAARS will powerfully impact these communities for Christ.

22 South West Tengir translation team members are spread across three countries. Pray they will be encouraged and press on despite the difficult circumstances.

23 Pray for provision of a JAARS Facilities Coordinator, needed to oversee room preparation for JAARS events: staff meetings, open houses, memorials, and more.

24 In Peru, Sihuas Quechua Scripture lessons are changing the lives and attitudes of people. Pray many lives will be renewed and transformed by God's power as teaching continues.

25 Pray for spiritual fruit as a media team in Papua New Guinea uploads recordings to the solar-powered audio Scripture players provided by JAARS for distribution to local communities.

26 Today is the Scripture Celebration at JAARS. Rejoice with us for translations completed the past year. Praise God as he continues to draw more people groups to himself through his Word.

27 Praise God for donations to the JAARS Boutique. They help meet the needs of many missionary families, a source of great encouragement.

28 Seven teams attended a Script Adapter workshop in the Philippines for the *JESUS* film. Pray many will embrace the Savior in each language group as the life of Christ comes alive on film.

29 Ask God to bring a sea-freight shipping coordinator to JAARS Logistics, a critical link in the supply chain to translation teams worldwide.

30 JAARS Aviation will conduct a technical evaluation for a prospective JAARS pilot beginning today. Ask God to continue to lead quality people to the ministry of JAARS Aviation.

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