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Dear Pastors and Friends,

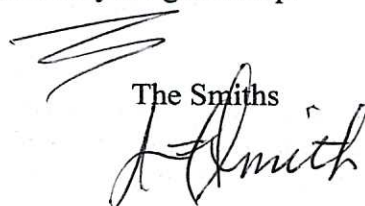
Warmest greetings!. Hopefully this letter will find each one well and prospering AND enjoying our Lord's richest of blessings. We do pray for you as a church family and for individuals as we receive requests on cards/notes, etc.,. We thank you for your prayers and support. Again we thank you and we thank God for you!

*Hopefully, the China virus is less of a problem. The postal service will now allow us to send materials into the South Pacific countries. We have sent several small shipments without any problems. Hopefully, they will arrive soon and safely. Now our problem is the post offices (into the Pacific countries) may or may not be open. We have no way to find out. We have sent the materials but have received no response from our dear friends. Some of the first shipments were sent in mid- February. These shipment go into the islands of Fiji, the Papuan coast of New Guinea and several small island nations as they ask us for Bibles, tracts, etc.

*We thank you for praying for Brother Damen Dampeko. He is pastor of (i win baptaisios) or Victory Baptist Church. He is now back at his church and with help is preaching again. As I understand, he is able to walk with the help of a 4-5 foot tree limb/stick. I think that it is used a brace until he can get more strength in his legs.

*Brother Damien's son Gershom Dampeko has started to Bible college. Brothers Damen, his son Gershom and Ronnie Sisko are the first Baptist preachers (from the Bougainville Islands) to go to a 3 or 4 year Bible school. These three men speak the same jungle language as well as English and Tok Pisin. Both Gershom and Ronnie will be able to go into the jungle areas and preach to the dear people in those remote areas. In these islands many small villages (60 to 120 people) are opening their doors for Christian churches. These men will be able to enter and witness to many many people. I am sure that you and I will be a part of the Gospel going into all the world!!! Many of these islands speak hundreds of languages.

* Again, we thank you for your good help!


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