

Trust you enjoyed the holidays as much as we did! Time with family and friends is so special!

We are loving being grandparents! We sent Reed and David (ages 3 and 2) one of those recordable books of the Christmas story. The other day they were listening to us "read" the story and Pam asked them who was talking. It was a page that Papa Jerry was reading and David reverently whispered, "God!"

Molly, age 4 has been asking when she can begin piano lessons with Grandma Joyce. Joyce told her that she would first need to know her letters. So later that day Molly took her Sunday school paper and wrote all the letters of the alphabet and gave it to David & Mari to show Grandma. Needless to say, Molly has now had two lessons and is doing great!

We just finished up a couple of projects with different missionary teams. The internet allows us to keep things moving all around the world as we sit at our desks. Pretty amazing days we live in!

So now we need to get back to the Kuna literacy and get the final editing and formatting all done. Our plans are to travel to Panama the very end of this month to check a few questions we have, get some artwork done, and then turn the whole Kuna primer series into the printers. Would you pray for us in these next weeks as we finish up the last details on this huge project? We are thrilled with the financial gifts that have come in toward the Kuna literacy project. The fund has received 77% of the total cost. To follow the progress please go to:

usa.ntm.org/projects/kuna-literacy

Looks like our passports are going to be kept busier this year. Other travel plans include Senegal, West Africa; a probable trip to Asia-Pacific (Indonesia); and then returning to Panama to train Kuna literacy teachers using the newly printed materials!

Again, in this new year of ministry together, how can we really thank you for your partnership and prayers that makes it possible for us to continue the ministry God has for us among the tribal people throughout the world? We hope that these email "snap-shots" of what is going on will help you to know the important part you play on this team, opening God's Word to people through literacy and then discipling many for our Lord.

As always,

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