

Dear Friends of MBC,

How is the summer going for you? We just got back from up north helping Ryan & Pam with the four grandchildren. Ryan had a mission trip at the same time Pam needed to be away working towards her master's degree. So Grandpa & Grandma were called into action! And action it was...half of the pictures of the boys came out as a blur because they were moving too fast to capture.

Other family news: we are all waiting for the birth of David & Mari's little one. Any day now we'll be able to meet and hold our new granddaughter!

We continue to work on many literacy projects for teams around the world as well as the finalizing of the Kuna literacy.

Many have asked how to pray for Pastor Edelfonso in Panama as his family adjusts to life without his wife (she passed away from hepatitis in April). Yanera, his oldest daughter is married and expecting their second child. Her grandmother is pressuring her to have traditional Kuna "medicine" done for the safety of the coming baby. Those of us with children who are young adults understand how to pray! Yanera knows Christ as her Savior and now needs to make choices to follow Him regardless of pressures from others. Her parents' faith is not going to get her through the trials of life.

Pray that Edelfonso will be very wise as he talks with his other eight children and balances ministry and their needs for stability. Some in the village have told his children that their mother's death was punishment because they had left the traditional ways to follow "God's Book." This has caused fear in the children and pain for Edelfonso. Let's stand in prayer that God will comfort and show His strong power for this dear family.

A good report on Kuna missionaries, Anelio & Silverixia. As you remember they are a couple sent out by Edelfonso's church to an unreached village upriver. In 2009, while returning to the village where they minister, they lost their 3 year old son in the flooded river. God has used their faithfulness in spite of many hardships to win many to Christ. There is now growing church in the village. Every Saturday Anelio has also been traveling upriver with some of the new believers to the next Kuna village to teach "God's Book." There are some other religious groups that are interested in this village, but the chiefs are asking Anelio and the church leaders to come for some official meetings the end of this month. They would like to have a Kuna missionary permanently in their village. So please pray for God's wisdom, provision, and timing for this open door.

Isn't it encouraging to remember in these days that God's Word is still going out to new areas? Thanks again for being part of the team with your prayers and financial support!

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Serving with New Tribes Mission