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# THE JOURNEY WITH THE RAYS

November 2011

DENVER TO L.A.  
L.A. TO SIDNEY AU.  
SIDNEY AU. TO PORT MORSEBY  
PORT MORSEBY TO GOROKA  
Papua New Guinea  
DEPARTS JANUARY 2012  
DESTINATION  
INTERFACE

## What three things encouraged you this month!

HERE ARE THREE THINGS  
THAT ENCOURAGED US.

### THE A TEAM

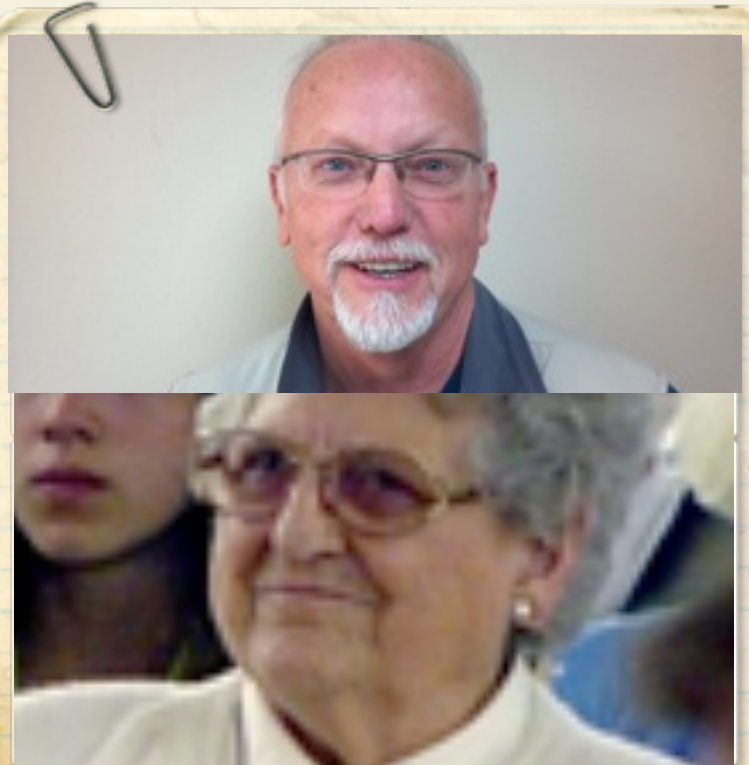
We have a group of men in our church that teach between services. It has been a tremendous blessing to sit under their teachings and grow. They have taught on subjects such as "Who is God" and now "Encouragement"

### DOROTHY SUMMERVILLE

We have a wonderful lady that has been such an encouragement to Nikki and I. I will be honest I take ice cream to her once a week just so I can have her pray for us. Absolutely amazing and so blessed to be loved by her.

### GODS PERFECT WAYS

It has been awesome to see God work in our lives and those around us. Specifically seeing Him build our team. Truly amazing that He has used up to this date 3 Churches and 54 couples or individuals to build this team.



Top photo: A-Team  
member Jack  
Hollensworth  
Below: Dorothy  
Summerville





*Bena Bena*



*Interface*

## TEAM BUILDING UPDATE

It has been so cool to see God build our team over these last couple of months. Back in Sept. we were sitting at 35% and during our trip to Florida God blessed us with funds for airline tickets and raised our support to 40%. Returning home to Nebraska we had several meetings through which the Lord raised it again to 50%. But we still had a ways to go with only 90 days before departure. We were able to speak in our home church (Mitchell Berean) and that is where God convicted my heart and then threw things into overdrive. I stood before our church and on faith said God was going to build this team and have our family in PNG come January 2012. I have been fearful to say this, some out of pride but also a wavering faith that God could really do this. Sunday morning before services the Lord really said to me that this was what He was going to do and I need to be obedient in standing before the body

and proclaim Him and His power. Ashamed for my lack of obedience and faith I did my best to communicate what I felt the Lord wanted me to say to our church family. It was so amazing to see God work that day and the weeks to come. God used so many in such a short time that we jumped from 50% to 72% in about 7 days. We now sit at 75% as of Nov. 17th. Through a teaching from Pastor G on Matthew 6, God continued to bring to my mind a certain verse. Matthew 6:33 "But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be added to you". Context of scripture was food and clothing but I truly believe God applied this to our family as we go through our partnership development. We believe the Lord has those people who He wishes to fund this ministry. Our job is to seek His kingdom and His righteousness being willing to listen and obey. So blessed we are to

## **Psalms 27:1**

**The Lord is my  
light and my  
salvation whom  
shall I fear, the  
Lord is the  
stronghold of my  
life of whom  
shall I be afraid.**

## Our girls kill their first deer



It has been fun watching the girls get excited about spending time with their dad out hunting. God blessed both of them on the same day with beautiful bucks!  
Thanks Gene for this opportunity!

**We would like to express our thanks to all of you on our team! We have been so encouraged by God's faithfulness and are excited to how God will use us with the Bena Bena church in PNG.**