

Kansas District

NMI LINKS NEWS

A QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER WITH NEWS FROM OUR
KANSAS LINKS MISSIONARIES

DR. SCOTT DOOLEY

KUDJIP NAZARENE HOSPITAL, PAPUA NEW GUINEA

Eight years ago I went from full-time doctor to full-time administrator. The first two years here at Kudjip, had had more crisis than I could have dreamed possible. I kept rehashing the latest conflict while failing to praise Him for the ways He was constantly rescuing and protecting us. God convicted me of this. To be honest, lately I have been discouraged by many things. God seemed to be asking me if I learned anything last time. I wanted to send a prayer request list. The list seems to grow. God has also challenged me to send a praise report.

The power has been off and on due to heavy rains and re-calibrating newly installed equipment in the hydro electric plant. We are the only hospital in the country with our own private multi-million dollar clean power. The new changes will take adjustment but will keep us from the major power outages we had last year.

Both the main autoclave and the smaller back up autoclave are broken at the same time. We have had to take supplies to the government hospital to be sterilized. We are currently limiting surgery and deliveries. 85% of our phone lines on stations are out after a lightning strike, despite all the lightning protection that has been installed. Both problems happened within a day of each other. Maintenance issues are very difficult in Papua New Guinea for obvious reasons- it is a developing country with no manufacturing of its own, no parts, and no expert advisors. This is the reason we are here – a place of great need. As long as we are here technical things will go down... but it is rare that any reduce our care. That is one of the things that sets us apart. It is why patients sometimes travel days to get to us. This is why, despite those incredible challenges, we work. We don't give up. Our maintenance staff has worked night and day and they will figure something out. Whatever it is, however hard it is, our people keep doing their best for the Lord and our patients.

We found out some things that will have future financial and logistic problems for us personally, and especially in regards to getting our kids into college. Our daughters are bright young ladies who can get into college and are from the United States where they can go back for a great education. Almost 15 years ago we left a life that promised relative security for whatever God wanted to give us. He has never failed us. He has provided for our every need - both for the ministry and for us personally. God will work it out. **-Scott**

The two biggest earthquakes (Feb. 25 and March 6) in our time here shook things up, but everyone is fine. There was no damage on station.

-Scott

DAVE & KIM HANE

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We continue to work with the Church in Singapore. Our first annual general meeting is coming soon! Celebrating our first anniversary as a new world area. On March 18, we had a group of 15-20 from the Eurasia region join us for worship. It was a good time for many to hear what God is doing all around the world!

Joy, our daughter, served a week in Manila with her school at a children's home and really enjoyed it. When we went to visit the children's home in the middle of March, many of the kids were so happy to see Joy.

Jonathan, our son, continues to help teach media school in Thailand and is busy with his network of contacts there. Please continue to pray for him as he connects with many people

Dave continues to be busy with regional work and meetings; working with those on the ground serving, as well as those who feel called to come serve. Kim continues to help host those that come through Singapore, the house church, as well as lead a weekly Moms in Prayer group at the school Joy attends.

Thank you so much for your prayers and interest!

In His Joy, Dave & Kim :-)

April - June 2018

The Links program in Church of the Nazarene is a network of personal connections between missionaries and Nazarenes around the world.

Typically, churches send cards, cash gifts, and packages to their Links missionaries. In return, churches feel a sense of involvement with the global mission enterprise of the church through regular correspondence from the missionaries, updates from their field, and even through deputation services while the missionaries are on home assignment. Relationships built over time personalize names and faces that both missionaries and their Links churches value highly.



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Please continue to pray for Allison Dooley as she prepares for her study abroad this summer. She is a sophomore majoring in English at MNU. If you would like to contribute to her funds, please send them to:

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Joining our Sunday worship on March 18, were Nazarenes from 17 different nations within the Eurasia region.

COSMOS & ANDRONICA MUTOWA

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We praise the Lord for his care and blessings on our family. God has been good, so good to us.

Our family is doing well. Our son, Panashe, is now in grade nine and doing well at school. Continue to pray for his health. Daniel, our son, is now back home in Zimbabwe where he is continuing with his school. Nomsa, our daughter, is also home and looking for work after finishing college.

We are so thankful for the privilege to serve as missionaries in Africa. Andronica continues to serve as the Africa Region Secretary and manages credentials and statistics for the Church across Africa Region. My responsibility as Compassionate Ministries Coordinator for Africa Region continues to see me travel extensively across Africa Region, doing trainings and mobilizing the church to minister to the holistic needs of people. We are so grateful for lives that are being transformed through the ministry of compassion.

We are also grateful to the Lord for a successful deputation tour of the Western Kansas District through which there has been amazing response to supporting Water Wells for Africa. We are currently in the process of drilling a water well in Swaziland through the support of Great Bend Church of the Nazarene who raised and sent funds for a water well. We also are thankful to the Wichita First Church of the Nazarene for

raising funds for two wells to help a community in Malawi get a water well.

Two communities in Malawi will benefit from this wonderful gesture. I am made aware that a number of churches on the district are raising funds toward clean water wells for Africa. We are truly humbled by such manner of transforming love.

Thank you and blessings to all,

C. A. Mutowa



Daniel, Panashe, Nomsa, Andronica & Cosmos

Pray for our family for the following:

1. Pray for God's protection and care for our family, especially as I travel to countries across Africa.
2. Pray for our son Panashe's health.
3. Pray for Nomsa to find a job.
4. Pray that Daniel remains focused as he finishes his studies in Zimbabwe.

LYNN & SHERRY SHMIDT

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What a pleasure to get to share with our Kansas District. Life here is becoming more adventurous on a regular basis. It all began with a ninety minute boat ride. Lynn and I took two engaged couples that we had been doing premarital counseling with from the campus with us on a visit to a small island with a "resort" that was so affordable. It started out as a pleasant day.

We packed very lightly for a trip across the ocean on ferry. It turned out to be quite small and had to be reached by crossing on a single plank. There were cool bamboo out-riggings on the sides and as we moved out the wind began to pick up. It began to pour and blow making waves quite high as the boat pitched and dove over and over. What a

ride! It beat any amusement park for sure, probably because of the unknown outcome. We landed safely and walked through the water to shore. The six of us hiked to our resort. Our resort was a tree house with one big room up in the branches. We slept on bamboo and mats on the floor.

We cooked outside, where the students had great fun treating us to their cuisine. We loved sleeping by the



ocean. We could hear the waves lapping on the shore through the open windows of the tree-room.

Hopes were dashed in the morning for leaving as planned. The Coast Guard let no boats go on the ocean waters. On a cash only island, we bargained for another night and electricity to run the fan. The guys, being Philippine, found us food for another day. One girl was Guatemalan/American. The other girl was Chinese. They were not used to camping.

The next day our students talked a fisherman into taking us back home. The coast guard was only allowing fishermen to go. The fisherman's boat was smaller than our first boat. It was wide enough for only two people to sit side by side (like a long canoe without-riggings). The crew was very knowledgeable of the ocean though they had never taken tourists.

Again the boat rode the waves high and we prayed all the way like the disciples of old. The sun was out giving rays of hope. I looked to the left as we were getting soaked with the waves and saw a shark fin above the water. After making it safely and walking through knee deep water to get ashore, the crew asked us if we saw the shark. Whoa, I really didn't imagine it. It WAS a shark.

We completed our journey on a little tricycle for several miles—all six of us with our bags. We certainly were taken out of our comfort zone.

We all thanked the Lord for his mercies and grace. Not only did He keep us safe, but He took us out of our safe place to risk danger. Perhaps we are better equipped for whatever God has for us in the days and years to come. May God help us all to let Him take us to places we have not yet been to, that we might share the gospel as He wishes!

Love to you all, Sherry

