

Dear Friends

Greetings from the southern hemisphere where it feels like a switch has been flipped and overnight, we have gone from Winter into Spring -- Spring being dry, dusty and hot; temps in the mid 90's.

We continue to keep busy; Tim as a translation consultant working with three different translation teams, and the rest of us with school or house-related stuff. Last month I mentioned that Tim is working with the Wayeyi translators (Botswana, five hours south of us) checking the Gospel of John. Their plan is to meet one day each week via Zoom to get it done, which sounds good in theory, but has only happened twice due to a variety of reasons. We are seeing that this may not be the best plan for working with these guys, because even when Tim and the team are able to connect it is just difficult for Tim to show them what he wants them to see/do -- it is just so much easier when the meetings are in-person. Otherwise, Tim also continues to work with the Themne translation team in Sierra Leone, and is planning a trip there to work with them in two weeks.

But, of course, life is not all work. Tim and the boys have also been doing a lot of camping and making of memories before Aaron has to leave to go back to university. I (Lisa) appreciate indoor plumbing too much to really enjoy camping, so these trips have been a male only experience. They did a five-day trip in Namibia to a couple of nature preserves and had a wonderful time; the highlight probably being seeing two lionesses on a hunt, though they also got to see the largest meteor in the world and a cute four-month-old rhino.

Tim continues to help Splash with the planning of the November dedication for the Khwedam panoramic Bible, though Splash is the one in charge. Please pray for Splash; that is a lot of responsibility riding on his shoulders.

Praises: - Thanksgiving for our time here with Aaron the last couple of months.

- Thanksgiving for Splash who does so much for his community.
- Thanksgiving for safety and good health.

- Prayers:
- * Please pray that the dedication for the Khwedam Panoramic Bible will be planned and come together well.
 - * Please pray that checking with the Wayeyi team here in Botswana will happen regularly and work well.
 - * Please pray for Aaron as he navigates flying by himself and two new-to-him airports this Friday and Saturday (August 22 and 23).



Tim next to the **largest** meteorite (60 tons)!

Thank you again for all of your prayers on our behalf.

Tim, Lisa, Aaron & Andrew Beckendorf