



# toktok!

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## We have arrived!



After arriving in Vanuatu, our first two weeks were spent in Port Vila. Despite a little difficult adjusting to the heat, it was much like a holiday!! We visited Pango, a village outside Vila, and were shown a little of traditional and contemporary ni-Van culture. We enjoyed a day at the beach and even managed a night out... where the waiter was the cousin of one of the bus drivers Glen had met! Another bus driver was the brother-in-law of one of the faculty here! It feels like home already!

Now we have arrived at Talua and are settling into our new home. Our boxes will arrive soon. We have still to connect the phone, arrange a driver's licence, organise our residency visas and all those sorts of things.

### ***Please pray:***

- *with thanks for a pleasant stay in Vila;*
- *with many thanks that Bethany is sleeping well again now;*
- *that the granting of our residency visas would be without hiccup.*

## Mitufala i save toktok smol Bislama naoia

Each morning of our time in Port Vila was spent in language classes. These classes were fabulous. While we are not fluent, we are able to have small, slow conversations with people. Glen was even able to give a short, simple sermon in bislama. Now we are at Talua we expect to encounter a range of accents as the students come from many different places and have many different first languages.

*Translation: both of us can speak a little Bislama now.*

### ***Please pray:***

- *with thanks for great bislama classes;*
- *that we would keep improving on these skills.*

## First Term

In first term, Glen will be teaching three subjects: Humanity and Sin; God's Solution to Sin; and Biblical Interpretation. He is quite excited about these courses and looking forward to spending time reflecting on these great doctrines. These are all diploma subjects so the students he teaches will become pastors. As such, Glen is also feeling the responsibility this involves.

The students begin arriving next week ready to start term in February.

### ***Please pray:***

- *that Glen would faithfully teach God's word;*
- *that God would show us how to encourage & build up these students while they study here.*