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in the Connor household

Our children are all growing up quickly! Lachlan has enjoyed learning to crawl, Matthew to throw a frisbee, Bethany to ride a bike and Sophie to "scrap-book". They are a delight but can be a handful at times. The challenge of raising children in a different culture remains one of the most difficult for us.



Please pray:

- that our children will know and love Jesus;
- for healing for Rachael and Glen;
- that we will continue to love, trust and obey our Lord Jesus.

It has been a slower month; Glen strained muscles in his back and Rachael has an awful head-cold which has been difficult to shake.

school with Emily

It has been a wonderful blessing having Emily with us to do school with Sophie and Bethany. She has made such a difference to our home and has made it possible for both of us to be involved in ministry in ways that would not be possible otherwise. She will be with us until mid-August. This next month will be a crucial one as we change to home-schooling.



Please pray:

- thanking God for Emily's cheerful and willing help;
- that our last month of school with Emily will be fruitful and fulfilling;
- for a smooth transition to home-schooling;
- for Emily's family who miss her very much.

If you would like to help us with the expenses associated with having Emily here, please use the forms enclosed or print them at www.talua.org/support_the_connors.pdf. Mark donations: "Connors - Emily"

meet a student: Dean Kaltapau (3rd year Diploma; from Pango village, Efate)

I became a christian while at a Christian camp in 2005 through Bible teaching and Bible talks. It was God's plan. I am here at Talua to develop my understanding of the Bible and to prepare for future ministry. I have enjoyed learning to understand the Bible, learning from lecturers, relating with people from different cultures and learning about who I am in Christ as a ni-Van. When I finish my Diploma studies here, I am hoping to do ministry to young people. I would also like to do further studies in linguistics & translation so that I can produce teaching modules for schools, sunday schools and churches, preserve the language of my people, and make the word of God simple to understand by teaching and preaching.



I want to know more about Jesus, becoming like him in every way, to experience the power of the resurrection so that I can bring people to come to faith in Jesus. I would like to discourage individualism in our communities and encourage people to work together for the good of all.

Please pray:

- praising God for the work he has done in Dean's life;
- that Dean will grow in wisdom and abound in love, becoming like Jesus in every way;
- that he will work diligently and consistently for the rest of this year and that his study will be a joy as he learns more about our great God;
- for discipline to work on his project over the next term;
- that God would be pleased to work through Dean to bring many to Christ in the years ahead.