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Acts 17:18

April 2011

Dear Friends and Family,

Greetings from your co-workers, John and Linda McGhee, here in Sanford, Florida! Thank you for your support of our ministry. How we thank the Lord for you! We are so grateful for how the Lord meets our needs.

The book of Acts is one of our favorite books in the Bible. It is simply amazing to read how the Message of the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ began to spread throughout the world, from Jerusalem and in all of Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost parts of the earth. (Acts 1:8)

When the Gospel first reached the unbelievers in the City of Athens they certainly got it right when they said of the Apostle Paul, *"He preached unto them Jesus and the Resurrection."* That was Paul's only message – the Gospel – the death, burial and the resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ. Paul shared the Good News of the Gospel everywhere he went. What a wonderful blessing to know that we serve the Risen Savior!



Thank you for praying for us these days. We are still working on the revision of the 2011 Medical Plan Policy. The new Health Care Bill certainly has caused a significant amount of extra work and we would value your prayers that this big project will soon be finalized.

This very day many tribal people are hearing the Good News of Gospel for the very first time! It is exciting to be involved in this vital ministry. We have enclosed an encouraging update from the Dinangat tribe who live in the country of Papua New Guinea. Thank you for your prayers for these dear tribal people.

We had no idea when we wrote to you last month that Mom Hansen's heart had a problem. We arranged for her to be brought to the hospital from here in Florida for what we thought was a difficulty in her breathing; the doctor in the ER recognized that something more serious was her heart: the atrium and ventricle parts of the heart had no cohesion. They were not working together, and it was very serious. They also presented to us that it was risky either way – to go with the procedure or to leave it. Dad and Mom made the decision to have a pacemaker put in which ended up being a dual pacer. We thank you for praying for them. It has helped so much. Again, how thankful we are for God's faithfulness to them and to all of us!

In closing, we thank you so very much for your prayers and support. May you have a very blessed Resurrection Day!

All because He lives,

John & Linda

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## **INSPIRED TO ACT BY ACTS**



Every week two Dinangat Bible teachers in Papua New Guinea hike three hours to disciple a group of new believers in a remote village. They are currently teaching from the book of Acts.

Last week an NTM missionary and his daughter made the long hike in order to visit and encourage the new believers.

"As I sat there and listened to these two young men teach and explain the Scriptures" the missionary wrote, "I literally fought back the tears. It's like watching a miracle before my eyes, God changing these people from the inside out."

Then another miracle of God's grace began unfolding before their eyes. The Dinangat men were teaching about Acts 19:18-19 where it states, "*Many who had believed came confessing and telling their deeds. Also, many of those who had practiced magic brought their books together and burned them in the sight of all.*"

After hearing this, Areke, a village leader, left the teaching and headed for his house. He came back with a little bag. When the teaching was finished he stood and showed everyone what was in the bag – his magical items. He then burned them in front of everyone as he explained that these things represent idolatry and he wants nothing more to do with them.

"The man I was sitting next to had tears in his eyes and hung his head. It was amazing to witness and worth every step up and down those mountains to get there."

Pray for the Dinangat believers who are beginning to understand the holiness of God. Pray also for the Dinangat Bible teachers who are faithfully presenting God's Word each week.

> Sent by John & Linda McGhee, April 2011 Adapted from www.ntm.org