

# Land Of The Unexpected – Papua New Guinea (PNG)

June 2018

 *the Lindley's in PNG*

## Prayer & Praise

- \* Praise that Cath & Drew have made it to the States for their three week trip to visit some possible colleges for Drew to attend a year from now.
- \* Prayer for the above as we seek to transition him 'well' *next* year back to a different culture from what he's accustomed to here in PNG.
- \* Praise for GREAT ticket prices which allowed them to travel such a distance.
- \* Praise for the successful completion of the second half of Grade 11 & 9 for Drew and Alyssa, respectively.
- \* Praise for two successful Drama productions for Cathy, one of which the kids were in.
- \* Praise for two Bible dedications over the past handful of months!
- \* Praise for the partners who have increased their giving and for new partners who have come on board! We're very close to our monthly needs!
- \* Prayer for the upcoming new school year which begins on July 18.
- \* Prayer for an exciting personal video project to be released within the next few months!

## What is "L.O.T.U."?

PNG is commonly referred to as the 'Land of the Unexpected' (L.O.T.U.). The main trade language in the country is called Tok Pisin. The word for 'praise/worship' in said language is 'Lotu'.

As you well know, we're here because we strive to worship Jesus, edify His Church and make His Name known among all peoples, languages and nations. It is what we seek to do in all that we do - whether here in PNG, back in the States or wherever life finds us.

"For I know the plans I have for you, declares the LORD, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope."  
- Jeremiah 29:11

So when life feels uncertain or unexpected - and it does and will if we're being honest - hold, lean and rest in the plans God has for you while you 'Lotuim Em' (worship Him/God).

## Second Semester School Summary

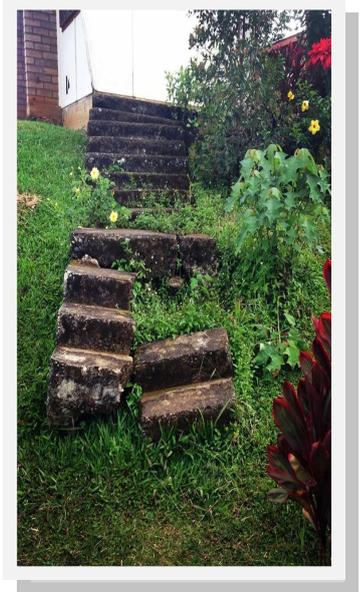
The last half of this school year was quite full: Cathy directed the classic musical, '*The Pirates of Penzance*' where Drew played a 'policeman' and Alyssa portrayed one of the 'daughters' (lots of laughs and fun). Todd helped coach Drew's basketball team which had a solid 11-4 record. Cathy also directed an original play (she wrote it in conjunction with the students!) for the Grade 7 & 8 class. Alyssa performed in a few choir concerts. Drew attended 'Banquet' (sort of like a 'prom' and which was put together by the parents of the grade 11 & 12 classes as well as some dedicated community volunteers). Lastly, Cathy's Learning Assistance students had *great* success this year—wish we could tell you more! Smile. Check out the second page for various pictures!

In non-school news: Todd is now overseeing eight (8) support departments (non-language specific) in his Senior Manager role. It has been a challenging—and stretching—time for him in some ways. Overall, though, he's very much enjoying it!

Much love,

*tOdd and Cathy, Drew and Alyssa*

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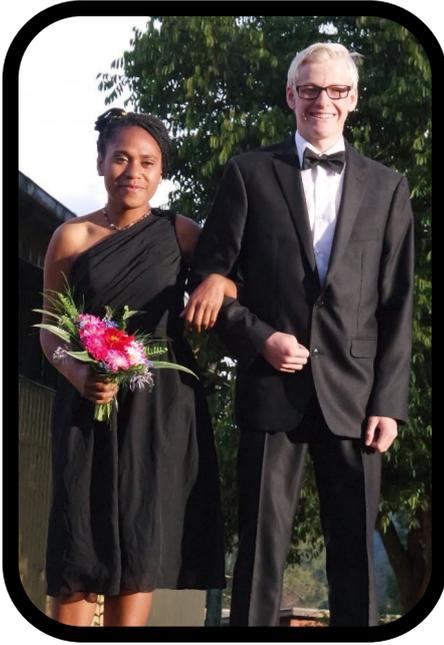


Some 'unexpected' (and no longer used) steps by the side of the road here in Ukarumpa.

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Drew and his date, Nicole, as they arrive to their Banquet formal in May.



Alyssa in the 'Pirates of Penzance'



Cathy introducing the 'Pirates...' play



< Drew all smiles

&



< Alyssa all smiles.



The Clinic Staff, one of the department's tOdd has the privilege of being Senior Manager of. Can you find tOdd?



Drew doing high jump at the annual May Sports Day competition.



Drew in the 'Pirates...' play



Drew and his grade 11 mates at Banquet. tOdd will be the Community (youth) Group leader for the young men in the picture for their Grade 12 year.