



A WORD FROM WILLIAMSONS

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What IS Ethnos360?? It's the new name of our mission organization (the U.S. branch) which has been called New Tribes Mission since it was founded 75 years ago! Why change the name? As one of our mission leaders said, "Because we are positioning to reach a changing world. ... All three words - New Tribes Mission - have become barriers to the work of NTM. There are issues relating to the words "tribes" and "mission as they're understood in today's world."

Ethnos (Greek) refers to the "nations" to which we are commanded to go and make disciples (Mt. 28:19) and to whom we are so blessed to introduce Christ.

360 represents the entire globe — all 360 degrees. Our vision is the world and a thriving church for every people.

You can learn more by visiting the new website Ethnos360.org! View an introduction video here: <https://vimeo.com/215315386>

In our last letter we mentioned that the Lauje New Testament was being recorded in audio format by a team from Faith Comes By Hearing. In spite of some difficulties (illnesses, several power outages, travel, etc.) God has answered our prayers. The recording is complete and the final check should be completed by tomorrow! We are thankful for the faithfulness of each of the Lauje believers who took the time, put aside their fears of having their reading recorded, and who made the great effort to travel to "the big city" to do the reading. Some stayed two months there, away from family (and their gardens!). The final product will give access to the Word of God to non-literate Lauje. **Pray** for the producing and distribution of the New Testament recordings --- that more Lauje will come to know the Giver of Life, and that those who already know Him will be strengthened in their faith as they listen to God's Word in their own language.



Recording in the home-made studio.

TRAVEL:

We'd hoped to go to England this month to visit Barrie's family, our friends and churches that support us so faithfully. But because of medical things and other commitments we weren't able to squeeze it in. We're not sure when we will be able to go. Possibly just Barrie will make the trip sometime.

In mid-June Barrie will be in Dakar, Senegal for two weeks to take part in leading a Church Planting Workshop. There will be teams from three countries in west Africa that will be taking this workshop. **Pray** that the workshop will be very helpful to these missionaries. Please **pray** for safe travels for Barrie and for good health and strength.

FAMILY:

We're so thankful that though Cherri's dad has a problem with a heart valve, it is not serious enough to require surgery at this time.

Jason and Jodi and three of their four children will leave here on June 3 to return to Indonesia. It has been a joy to be living so close to them over the last 10 months or so. (First time we've experienced that!) I'm sure it will be tough for them to return minus one child. Jaalah (their oldest) just completed her first year of college and will be working at a camp in Georgia this summer. **Pray** for the family as they adjust to being half-a-world apart.

Please keep **praying** for our son David and his three boys. **Pray** for a good job for David, and for encouragement for each of them.

Yesterday as I was reading in Ezra, chapter 8 verse 22 stood out to me: "The gracious hand of our God is on everyone who looks to him". That grace gives us courage to face today. Ezra 7:28 says "Because the hand of the Lord my God was on me, I took courage." May each of you be

encouraged by God's love and grace towards you. Thank you so much for your prayers, gifts, emails and love.

Love,

Barrie and Cherri

Another change:

Our U.S. headquarters has a new address! Please make note of this:

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