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The Anchor Bible Map Book US is 99.9% complete. Samples have been distributed to some pastors and the process for ordering and printing has been set up. The plan is to produce a great number after the start of the year, by which time all the mistakes hopefully should be found. In the meanwhile, if you would like to obtain a spiral-bound copy, you can contact Margaret at wholyliving93@gmail.com and she will work it all out for you. All proceeds for this will be put into an account to help print the PNG version as soon as I get that completed, as well as the second edition printing of the Anchor Hymnals, which is almost ready. A regular-bound copy of the Map Book will also soon be available on Amazon.

As many of you know, one of our daughters is working in Indonesia with her husband. They are going to either do the printing of these PNG projects themselves, or, more likely, source most of it out to someone locally. This will allow them to monitor quality control for us. This will be a great help to us.

We continue our regular outreaches here in Kandrian, despite the monsoon season still trying to hang on. The market outreach, the Religious Instruction classes at the schools, and the ministry to those in the local health clinic continue. We are planning to add a new outreach ministry soon. I am not sure what I will call it, but it will be something on the order of "The Wandering Ministry." Here in Kandrian, there are a very limited number of vehicles: probably less than 20 in a 20-30 mile radius. Therefore it is very difficult for people to travel from the outlying areas, especially the bush ones. What I plan to do is to take one day a week and just go somewhere picking up and dropping off people as I go. I will let one or two inside of the cab for me to witness to, and have a preachers in the back to witness to those who get in back there. We have the vehicle and we may as well use it. Please pray that we can get the gospel to every person in our area. As I have told our folks, "We can not win everyone, but we can warn everyone." Also pray for fruit from our Independence Day tract passing. The town gets filled with people to celebrate our country's independence, so we use this opportunity to ensure everyone gets a tract and an opportunity to know true liberty.

We have two major building projects coming up. The first, as

you know, is the Sunday School at Anchor Baptist Church. All the materials are finally on-site and we are just waiting for the weather to clear. The other is a new church building in Sara. We have one man who wants to come with his son to head this up, but there are a lot of things that need to fall in place before that can happen. We are thinking of December this year or January of next year. If you would like to come along and help, please let me know.

We also have two meetings coming up at Anchor Baptist Church of Kandrian to encourage and strengthen our people. The first is our 5th Sunday Meeting at the end of October with Missionary Vincent Wain. He will be bringing his family from the outpost of Wako, about 30 miles up the coast. He will be with us for the weekend and preach a number of times. The other meeting is our annual week-long revival meeting of all of our churches. We usually hold this in December or early January, but our guest speaker this year, evangelist Brian Green, has schedule conflicts with this, so we are holding it the first week in February, 2024. If anyone would like to join him, I am sure he would love the company. Please pray for all the logistics of getting these guys here and getting all our people to Kandrian.

From Teena This Month: Apparently in Cyrus' 4 year old daughter Alice's Sunday School class they have been emphasizing talking to someone every day about Jesus. As her Aunt Anna was dropping her off to be watched by her Aunt Bethany, she lamented to Anna, "I haven't told anyone about Jesus today!" Anna said, "Oh, maybe you could tell Aunt Bethany." With a pitying, reproachful look Alice replied, "Um, I think she already knows." Then there is Seth's 2-year old Davy, just learning to talk and think. His mother, Anna, heard him messing with something in the other room and said, "Davy what are you doing?" Davy hollered back, "Don't look!"

Thanks once again for your prayers and support, to give our people a chance to know the LORD!

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