



SOON AND VERY SOON

Brooke and I are anticipating a return to Papua New Guinea around the first part of April. At the end of January we received word that my work permit was approved. The last hurdle is visas, but the work permit guarantees them — it is just a matter of how fast they are issued. If it is in the next week or so we will be able to buy tickets and head back. Please pray for this issue and our tickets. You may be aware that the return tickets we had expired in Dec 2016 and are unusable now. The replacement tickets are \$1200 each and this past week some good friends of our paid for one of the tickets (thank you, PTL).

It has been a long year and we are very anxious to return to PNG and start the next phase of life and ministry. It truly is a phase because everything changes dramatically the moment you set foot in a foreign country. Our whole lives shift with the culture and the ministry. We love being in PNG and can't wait to see our friends and the brothers and sisters we have grown to love there.

Right now we can use prayer as we wrap up things here. We have to sell some things we accumulated over the past year (including the car we had to buy), go through clothes, belongings and ministry materials and pare them all down to 3 suitcases (70 pounds each), a carry on and a computer bag each. Brooke is taking kitchen stuff like pans, utensils, etc. I said that was impractical — and heavy and she wouldn't have room for clothes. Evidently kitchenware is more important than clothes. Of course I have to fit in laptops, tablets, camera and video bags, plus a solar-powered, portable projector and screen donated by The Jesus Film people, so we can show the Jesus film in remote villages. I hope I have room for a toothbrush and razor. Speaking of which, it is hard to get antiperspirant and good razors there so we have to take a year's supply of all that stuff. Maybe we can get the village people to make us some tribal clothes.

All that aside, we want to thank each and every one of you for believing in us and supporting us with your friendship, prayer and financial support as we endeavor to impact Papua New Guinea for Jesus.



I am speaking to the Nevada, MO Rotary club about tribal culture and social conditions in PNG.

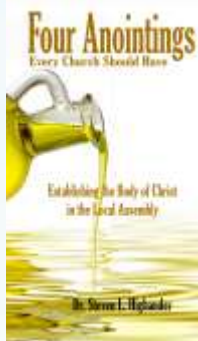
A STRATEGIC TIME FOR PNG

This is an extremely strategic time for the Gospel in Papua New Guinea. The nation will celebrate 42 years of independence in 2017. PNG is still struggling to emerge from centuries of violence, poverty and illiteracy. Political and financial corruption in the past 40 years has brought the economy to the brink of financial disaster. The younger generation, while respecting their individual tribal cultures are longing for a more modern life. The government understands how Christianity has had a positive impact on the nation and even funds some youth evangelism projects (which we have been asked to be involved with). Because of the work of previous missionaries during the past 60 years, PNG is ripe for a spiritual harvest that will set the course of the nation for the next generation. The investment of people, prayer, resources and finances will pay huge spiritual dividends in PNG.

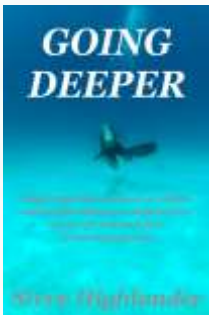


Steve's E-Books

In the past year I published two e-books. These books are available in .Mobi, .Epub or PDF format. You can get both of these books for FREE through this month's newsletter. The first book is **FOUR ANOINTINGS EVERY CHURCH SHOULD HAVE: Establishing the Body of Christ in the Local Assembly** (120 pages). The second book is **GOING DEEPER** (40 pages). **If you email me I will send you free copies,** otherwise you can download Four Anointings on Amazon for \$4.95.



Why is it that the Spirit of God moves powerfully in some churches and not others? Discover the three anointings that God instituted to manage His Kingdom and how, when they are properly functioning in the church, they produce a fourth anointing on the congregation. One of the Apostle Paul's greatest revelations was the reality of the Body of Christ and the priesthood of all believers. This book re-visits this fundamental truth much of the church has lost or ignored.



Using the analogy of deep sea diving I show how any Christian can and should develop a deeper relationship with God in three specific areas: A deeper revelation of who God is; a deeper revelation of God's eternal purposes; and a deeper commitment to walking out the will of God in our lives. This book will challenge you to go a little deeper in your walk with God — no matter where you are at right now!

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Prayer Requests and Praise Reports

Thanks to everyone for your continued friendship, prayer and support. Brooke and I have been truly amazed and humbled by your generosity to us as we prepare to return to PNG in the next few weeks. I mentioned the person who gave us the money for one airline ticket. I can't possibly mention every special blessing we've experienced, but there have been many and we truly appreciate every one.

Here are our current (and urgent) prayer requests:

- ◆ Visas—don't leave home without them.
- ◆ Monthly support. We have about \$1800 out of the \$2500-\$3000 we need.
- ◆ We need one more airline ticket—I would hate to have to leave Brooke at home.
- ◆ Finding a good vehicle and decent household items at a good price to set up our home and office on our return to PNG.
- ◆ Health! At 56 and 57 we certainly feel the effects. Pray for energy, my sugar levels, sore backs and that we acclimate quickly to the extreme heat and humidity. We need — and are expecting a touch from God before we return—your prayers of faith are appreciated.

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