

Dear Supporting Pastors:

Thank you for your prayers as I have been preparing to depart back to PNG on February 8th. I wanted you to inform you that in God's providence He has delayed this return. I found out last Thursday evening that flight 3 of 4 was cancelled and rescheduled to the following day. This made my entire ticket invalid since it would mean longer than allowed transit times through one airport and cause me to miss my final leg in another airport.

After prayer over the weekend and all of Monday spent calling airlines and travel agents to exhaust every possibility, my new return ticket has been purchased for March 29th! Yes, you read that correctly...almost 2 months later than I had planned. It is a great disappointment to my heart, but my Lord has prepared me for this through various means and is giving me comfort and rest in these delays. I am grateful that I was able to get a refund for the original ticket and that the new ticket is almost \$200 less. This new ticket takes me from Knoxville—Dallas—LAX—Hong Kong—Port Moresby.

My team in PNG is rather sparse at this time with only the Crain family and sister Rachel present. I know their load is great. I am grateful that they have come up with some work that I can do for them on this end, by translating some Sunday school lessons for the national teachers and by trying to find some durable medical supplies that are more affordable and gently used (wheelchairs, crutches and splints).

Prayer requests:

1. That this new ticket will remain valid.
2. For wisdom in helping my team from afar and using this extra time for His glory.
3. That God would allow Air Niugini (airlines into Port Moresby) to adjust and realign their schedule with the Hong Kong arrivals that would open up an earlier flight for travel back to PNG.
4. That the PNG government would decrease or abolish the required two week quarantine in Port Moresby.

May we rest in God's unchanging love and His faithfulness,

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