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Along with our church planting team (BJ and Jill Sanders and Jack and Lael Crabtree), we minister among the Wantakia people of Papua New Guinea. Since 2015, by the grace of God, we have learned the Wantakia people's unwritten language, created an alphabet for it, taught many people to read it, and translated many Bible portions into it. We taught the gospel to people in our home village of Pinji for the first time in 2019, and the church was born. As we continue to translate the Scriptures and disciple new believers, our sights are on other Wantakia villages that haven't heard the gospel.

PNG is an island about the size of Texas with more than 800 different and distinct tribal languages. The Wantakia people group live roughly 7,000 feet up in the mountains in the Central Highlands Province in PNG, and there is no road access, so we enter on foot or by helicopter. Spread among ten villages along the Wogamo river, the population of the Wantakians is about 7,000.



## Prayer Requests:

- The new church in Pinji village to continue growing in their faith in Jesus, their love for God and others, and their hope for eternity
- For the literacy of Bible teachers in training
- The Wantakia villages that have yet to hear the gospel
- The missionary team that continues to serve