

PRAISES

- A safe trip to Kansas and good times of connecting with people there
- Good reports on our baby's health and growth
- Our faithful prayer and financial partners—we are so grateful for each of you!

PRAYER REQUESTS

- That God would give us wisdom and direction as we plan speaking engagements and share our vision with others
- That God would prepare us for our new job as parents
- For continued health and safety for our baby
- For God's blessing on each of our partners

“We Need You Here Now!”

A few weeks ago, I received a sobering email. It was from Andrew, one of the staff at Hillcrest International School where we plan to serve. Here is an abbreviated version:

"Hillcrest International School always seems to be low on staff. Right now there are no high school computer classes being taught because the network administrator left at the end of last year. We have an elementary computer teacher, but the thing is that if staff have to leave, just as I am on a medical trip right now, there is no cover. So even if we did have a network administrator, high school teacher and elementary-middle school teacher all present, someone might have to leave at any time because of visa trouble, health or family reasons back home. That would really impact the school negatively...

...we had been really hoping that you would be here by August 2009. I don't know how we are going to make out until 2010... although of course it is all in God's hands, we do need you guys here ASAP. I'll keep it in prayer."

Andrew's plea was sobering. With our baby on the way, we will not get to Indonesia until June 2009. Once there, we must complete 6-9 months of language school. We will not be there when the school year begins in August.

Without adequate staff, the education of over a hundred students will suffer. This will affect dozens of families—translators, pilots, medical staff, and many more—some of whom may find it impossible to continue their work. If workers leave the field, uncountable thousands will suffer spiritually as they wait even longer to hear God's word for the first time in their lives.

Just as they need us at Hillcrest, ***we need you!*** Many of you have already committed to praying for us and partnering with us financially on a monthly basis.

Thank you! Without your participation, we will not succeed. We are at 50% of the monthly support required by Wycliffe to leave. We also need finances for one-time costs such as language school and acquiring living arrangements (see back about our new Setup Fund). You can also help in other ways—by hosting a home meeting, introducing us to your pastor, or committing to pray for us regularly.

We need you to be part of the team that keeps Bible translation going!



1st grade Hillcrest students

To partner with us financially, you may mail contributions to Wycliffe Bible Translators, PO Box 628200, Orlando, FL 32862-8200, with a separate note saying, "For the ministry of Jonathan & Stephanie Compton, acct. #200268."



Partners in Bible Translation

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Note: You can donate, sign up for our newsletter, and much more online!

We plan to send out email updates on the months we do not send newsletters. Email us if you are interested in receiving these updates.

ABOUT US

Our vision: To support Bible translation by meeting the educational needs of missionary kids (job descriptions to be finalized upon arrival)

Our destination: Hillcrest International School in Sentani, Indonesia

Our goal: To begin language school in Indonesia by July 2009

Our current activities: Stephanie works part-time as a school secretary. Jonathan is now a full-time Wycliffe missionary and spends his time building our ministry and preparing for his job at Hillcrest. We are also pursuing opportunities to share with others our personal vision and the great need for Bible translation.

Our needs: We need a solid team of monthly financial partners and prayer partners. We also need advocates to introduce us to others who would be interested in our ministry.

One-time gift? Help us get set up!

We are thankful for those of you who have partnered with us financially on a monthly or quarterly basis. However, we understand that many are unable to make such a commitment.

If this describes your situation, we invite you to consider contributing to our special set-up fund. The IRS allows overseas workers to set aside funds for becoming established in their target country.

The funds are released after the worker arrives in the destination country.

The steps for giving to the set-up fund are as simple as other one-time gifts:

- 1. On a separate piece of paper, write "For the overseas set-up fund for Jonathan and Stephanie Compton," account number 200268-71. (Note: this number is not quite the same as our normal number. The "-71" at the end is important!)
2. Write out a check for the amount you wish to contribute.
3. Mail it to Wycliffe Bible Translators, PO Box 628200, Orlando, FL 32862-8200

Breakdown of Setup Fund

