



RANEY NEWS

KIDS HOME FOR CHRISTMAS



Raney family - December 2010

We hope that each of you had a blessed Christmas and New Years. Thanks so much for being a part of our lives and the ministry here for yet another year. Thank you for your faithfulness to our Lord!

We are so grateful once again that the kids could come home for Christmas. This was Aaron's last time to come as he graduates in June. We treasured and savored all the minutes, hours and days we had. It was so wonderful to have a full house once again and a full table. Many tears were shed when they left.

We are grateful to still have Elisa at home. Please be praying for the kids. Aaron takes his MCATS (test to get into medical school) on April 9 and is studying hard for that now. Stephen has a very heavy semester load in his junior year of mechanical engineering. Elena is continuing to adjust to life in the States. Elisa is enjoying her junior year of high school.

HELPING A SISTER CHURCH PUT IN A CEMENT FLOOR

While the kids were here our local church went to help a sister church put in a cement floor for their church. Stephen and Jonathan were able to go help out. They really enjoyed helping in this physical way. As you can see, there is still much to be done on that church.



Stephen helping smooth cement



The pastor and his son



Stephen pouring cement

AARON IS ENGAGED TO LENA LEWIS



Aaron and Lena in Seattle after getting engaged

Many of you have supported our ministry since we left for the field when Aaron was 3 years old. Well, can you believe it! He is getting married.

Aaron left Indonesia early, after being here for Christmas, so he could surprise his girlfriend and propose.

Lena came out here to Indonesia a year ago Christmas. That was wonderful that she could see where Aaron grew up.

We are excited in Aaron's choice for a life partner. She comes from a great Christian family, loves the Lord, and has similar life passions as Aaron.

They plan to be married this summer. That means an unexpected trip back to the States for us, outside of furlough. Please pray for us as we have this added expense of international travel, and as we figure out housing and transport while in the States for the wedding.

ARRIVAL OF THE THIRD KODIAK ON THANKSGIVING DAY EVENING

We had just finished Thanksgiving dinner with friends when the third Kodiak arrived. The ferry pilot was able to fly the plane to Malaysia, and two of our pilots picked it up from there. They had to come straight to Sentani and not land anywhere else in Indonesia because of import issues. So they had a long day and arrived after dark between dinner and dessert. We praise the Lord once again for this wonderful tool to be used to serve the people here in Papua.

When we had our Christmas party with our staff and national employees and families, we were able to dedicate to the Lord this plane, plus the one that had arrived earlier.

Blessings,

Jonathan & Cindee Raney



Thanksgiving dinner with Basarys and Martins



The arrival of the plane