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Praises and Prayer Requests

- We have purchased a house! We are in the process of some remodeling to make it into a three bedroom.
- Todd received a successful large store order and is working on placing another one.
- Please pray for our friends, Sisi and Poro and their family.
- School recently started up again after our "summer" break. Please pray for the kids as they settle into the new schedule and for Cathy who is now teaching a math class.

House Blessing

In a previous newsletter we said that we were hoping to save up \$7000 for a down payment on a house, but God has given us a whole house for \$7140! This was certainly beyond anything we could ask or imagine.

Maintaining a house in Ukarumpa costs about \$3000 a year even when you aren't living in it, so when someone is leaving the center for good, they don't want to be stuck with the cost of maintaining a house. A very motivated seller, recently in this position, listed his well-maintained house for less than a third of what he paid for it. We have already received a few gifts (*thank you!*) and have been able to make a down payment and set up a reasonable payment plan. We've also started some remodeling work to make the two bedroom house into a three bedroom.

We are so blessed and excited. We did not expect to be able to make a house purchase until after we returned from furlough. Now we'll be able to live in the house before furlough and the kids will know what we are returning to, which will make Ukarumpa feel more like home. Thank you so much for your prayers and support in this issue.



A place to call home!
Thank you!

Trials in the Valley

Sadly, there was recently fighting between two villages in our valley. Unfortunately our house workers, Sisi and Poro ([see the video of our trip to their village in July 2012](#)), belong to one of the warring villages and were not permitted to come see us during the fighting. We were thankful when a cease fire agreement was signed and they were able to be with us again.

It was very difficult when the fighting was going on and we were not able to see them. We heard from others that they were safe, but they lost a high school age nephew in the fighting, and in the midst of all of this, Sisi's mom fell ill and passed away. Sisi was not able to be with her mother at the end because she could not safely leave her village to go to the hospital.

Please pray for our friends. They know and love the Lord. Pray that they would be a light to their tribe in the aftermath of the conflict and that they would find strength in the Lord as they struggle in this time of trials and grief.

- Todd & Cathy Lindley



Sisi making a friendship bilum (bag) for Cathy.

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