## The Civale Family – Missionaries to Samoa – November 1, 2011

Testifying... repentance toward God and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ. Acts 20:21

## Dear Praying Friends,

With just three weeks left before Emi, Tory, and I return to Samoa, we have much to do and covet your prayers. One more missions conference and seven more church visits are scheduled, so please pray for safe travels and good meetings. We also have shipping arrangements to finalize for the Samoan New Testaments, the Samoan Bible tracts, radio station equipment, school curriculum, and much more. At the same time, we are finalizing plans with several individuals and teams who will be coming on missions trips to Samoa over the next year.

Last month, God blessed beyond measure in Canada, Missouri, North Carolina, Virginia, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania. God's people have just been so good to us, hosting and helping us more that we can say. Of all the blessings, the greatest was the opportunity to lead an elderly Catholic couple to the Lord. Mike and Helen had

scheduled a meeting with Pastor Ed Smith of Golden Harvest Baptist Church near Niagara Falls in Canada. After many years of devotion to their former faith, Mike and Helen still longed for something that had eluded them. This meeting of two seekers and a Baptist pastor just happened to be scheduled at the same time that Emi and I were arriving to be with the church for a Missions Conference. Remembering my Roman Catholic background, Pastor Smith invited me to join in the meeting. After just a few exchanges, it was obvious that God had appointed those very



moments to reveal Himself to Mike and Helen. As He has done so many times before, the Lord used my testimony in a special way to reach others who had religion but not relationship. *Thank you, Lord, for wooing and pursuing us, even into our seventies and eighties!* 

In Samoa, *Asau Baptist Church* saw another man saved, baptized, and added last month. As we said in the last prayer letter, it is thrilling to see Samoans reaching Samoans in our absence. We are especially excited because the newest church member plays the piano and we have been praying for a piano player for the last two years.

Last month, we mentioned our Bible-printing project and shipping needs. Praise God that some great help has already come in. Please continue to pray for the Lord to meet this need entirely, including customs costs -- \$3200 more is needed. Please also pray for the Lord to provide for school curriculum for *ABC Academy*. Emi has had some materials and funds donated but still needs another \$2,075 to place a final order. Special offerings may be sent to...

Thank you again and again for all you do for the Lord, the people of Samoa, and us. With our return tickets booked for November 21, we should be writing our December prayer letter next month from Samoa. Until then, God bless you all!

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Please pray for Michael, Carol, & Joe as they continue their college courses in the US. And pray for Tory, too, who took this picture and who returns with us to Samoa this month.

Sincerely and gratefully, Jim & Emi Civale

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