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Fw: Aug 1 Prayer Letter (a week early)

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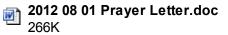
Dear Friends,

Emi and I will be traveling tomorrow with our four preachers-in-training and wives to attend a preaching conference and to preach at a deacons ordination at Lighthouse Baptist Church on the next island (Upolu). One of the young men being ordained there is a dear friend I led to the Lord some years ago in my living room in American Samoa (before he moved back to Upolu).

I am issuing our August 1st Prayer Letter a little early as I will staying in Upolu for part of next week to work with our typesetting team on the Samoan Bible Project.

I did not mention in our prayer letter that two young people, Tavai and Lei, received Christ as Savior last week. They will be baptized on August 5th and are the son and daughter of one of our new couples in the church, Iosua and Eseta. Iosua has been a great addition to the church and is now one of the service leaders, working alongside the deacons. He led his first service last Sunday evening and did a real good job. Please pray for his other son, Tautua, to receive Christ, too. Tautua is 9 years old. We do not push the young ones here to just say a prayer. We know that it is the work of the Holy Spirit and not just a matter of getting the young person to say what we want to hear. Please pray accordingly for Tautua's salvation.

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ABC youth members learning to use computers to help proofread the typed documents of the Samoan Bible. Hannah, Sesa, Uiki, & Luisa worked on the books of Kalatia, Efeso, & Filipi. Can you figure out the English names of those three books?

Dear Praying Friends,

A visiting pastor recently said, "*It takes teamwork to make the dream work*." As I think of all the people God has picked to be a part of His team to plant *Asau Baptist Church* (ABC) and to minister to the people of Samoa, I am moved to praise Him more than ever. Thank you to every one of you who prays for, labors with, gives to, and cheers on this team.

The Jim Civale Family Missionaries to Samoa August 1, 2012

For God *is* not unrighteous to forget your work and labour of love, which ye have shewed toward his name, in that ye have ministered to the saints, and do minister. **Hebrews 6:10**

The Samoan Bible Project Praise God for the seventy-plus people from all over the world who are moving us closer to realizing the dream of putting the Samoan Bible into the hands and hearts of the Samoan people. The whole Bible has now been typed into computer documents and we are nearly done with our first round of proofreading and typesetting the New Testament. This month we will start our first proofreading of the Old Testament documents. Please pray for the team members here and abroad that they would not grow weary in well-doing, and for missionaries *Peneueta* and *Robyn Faafouina* who are heading up the typesetting phase of this project. Finally, please pray to ask if the Lord is calling you to help with this project. <u>You do not need to know Samoan to help</u>. If you have the patience and willingness to compare a scanned document to a typed document and to send notations of any differences you find, we can use your help. Everything will be exchanged through email. **Won't you join the team?** Email me at civalejim@yahoo.com.

<u>ABC Educational Building Project</u> The early December ground-breaking date is getting closer every day and we thank God for keeping everyone here focused on preparing for this project. The church members here continue to give faithfully. Just last Sunday I finished a two-month Sunday school series on stewardship, tithes, and offerings. Our people here have received the teaching well and we have seen a positive impact in their lives and in the offering plate. We also received our

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Sent by Dry Run Independent Baptist Church Sent through Baptist International Missions, Inc. first over-seas donations last month for a total of \$1,556.50. Knowing that people overseas are joining in the giving is a great encouragement to all of us here and we thank you very much. Please continue pray for this project and the education of the children of ABC Academy. Emi, who has been a teacher for over 30 years, was burdened to take on this ministry due to the poor educational standards and illiteracy that is so common here. It is a full-time ministry for her and she is making a great impact.

<u>ABC Radio Station</u> *Pastor Ted Martens* and *Faith Baptist Church* in New Jersey have invested much time, energy, and resources to gather all of the needed equipment to launch our radio station here in Asau. They are ready to ship the materials and to travel here to set it all up and orient us to its operation. This opportunity is incredible! Please pray for safe travels and great results.

English/Bible Outreach Ministry A wonderful organization called BEAMS is sending 1200 hardcover English Bibles this month for an outreach opportunity to teach English/Bible classes through the secondary school here. BEAMS will also be printing the Samoan Bible for us. Please pray for BEAMS and also for BEACON OF TRUTH BAPTIST MINISTRIES who are printing 5000 Samoan tracts and arranging for the shipping of them *and* all the BEAMS Bibles.

Friends, our team Captain is the best! I'm so glad he picked us to be on His side.