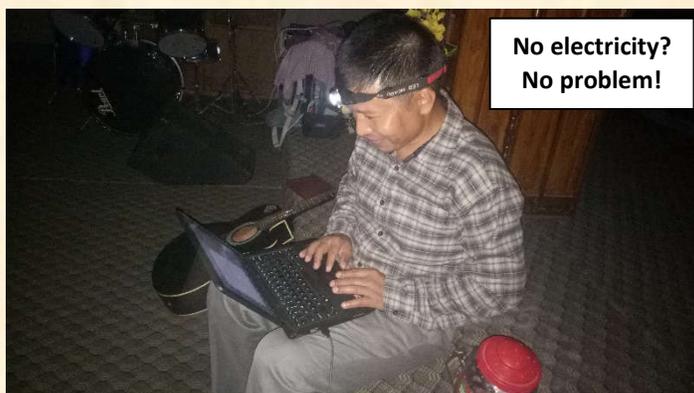


The T Family's Trekkin' Times

**Do not be anxious about anything. Instead, in every situation, through prayer and petition with thanksgiving, tell your requests to God. And the peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.
Philippians 4: 6-7 (NET)**

Dear Friends, I know it is AFTER Thanksgiving, but please indulge us – there's a lot to be thankful for! Praise God with us as we count our blessings and reflect on His provision in the last year.



opportunity to showcase the Bible stories in their own languages, and perhaps to share them with people who are not Christians but are curious about this “strange” holiday. It will also give the teams extra practice – for 6 of the teams, their next workshop is the **final, high-quality recording** of the first 24 stories. Lots of practice will help them make better recordings. Please pray for God to do great things this Christmas among the Bible storytellers.

September was one of our busiest months ever. We conducted eight Bible storying and trauma healing workshops. By contrast, we normally might have 2-3 workshops in a month. In early November, I had *my* busiest day of story-checking ever – 12 stories in one day. Wow, what a marathon! That week we had 2 workshops going on, with 6 languages frantically working to get their last stories done, so they could be ready for the recording workshop.



We are so thankful for our project staffs' and participants' can-do attitude, which helped everyone get back on schedule, in spite of many, many obstacles. We are privileged to work with such godly, dedicated people! God has blessed us all the way with provision, safe travel, good health (more often than not), and encouraging stories of people coming to know Jesus.

To know more about the T family, please contact the VCC office!



“Stuffing” the days – last year at this time, our project was struggling. We had hoped to start 5 new languages, but only 2 got started. The three mountain teams were a huge challenge – and to some extent still are. But today, ALL of our nine language teams are right on schedule, thanks to a lot of re-scheduling, a lot of hard work by our team of nationals, your prayers and God's great grace. Now, each team has finished 13-24 stories. Each team has completed all of the Old Testament stories in our set, and many of the New Testament stories as well.

We are encouraging all of our participants to prepare to tell their stories during their Christmas celebrations, from Creation to Jesus' Birth (at least). This will be a great

Thankful to be here – We moved to this country almost seven years ago, after I was denied entry into E■■■■'s home country. When we came here, we hoped God could use us in some way. We have seen 15 language groups get Bible stories, with another 9 well on the way. We've seen churches grow and new churches begin, thanks to people telling Bible stories. We've seen spiritual and emotional healing from trauma, and people trusting in Jesus. And we're still growing and learning.



Hopeful for the future – It has always been our hope to return someday to E■■■■'s home country, to continue serving God there. We have recently heard that this may be possible! I have recently discovered that my ban may have been for only 5 years. I might already be eligible to return.

Soon, I am going to apply for a tourist visa to E■■■■'s country. We will try to cross the border together, just as a trial trip. If it works, we will know that my ban is over, and we can live and work in E■■■■'s homeland, where we met, married and had our first 2 children.



L■■■■ and I took father-son trip for his 12th birthday in October

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Before we return there to live, however, we want to finish well here. We are about mid-way through our Bible storying and trauma healing work with the current 9 languages. With God's help, we plan to be done by June 2021. We are already starting to help our project team think about which languages they may work with after that, even though we may be moving on.

Please pray for favor with officials, and that God may open the doors again to E■■■■'s home country. We don't want to get our hopes up too high, but we are very excited at the possibility!



We are thankful for YOU – your prayers, your encouraging notes, and your gifts to our Wycliffe ministry that allow us to continue serving God in this place. Thank you so much – God is good!

Merry Christmas from
The T Family

