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The Adventure Continues!

...But the just shall live by his faith.” — Habakkuk 2:4b

As I write this, we are still waiting for approval from the Papua New Guinea embassy for our work permit and visas, and praying that we will get them in time to allow us to arrive at the Pacific Orientation Course (also known as “Jungle Camp”) on time. The course is scheduled to start on the 6th of February and continue through the 22nd of May, 2002. During that time we will be extremely busy with Tok Pisin language and culture learning, survival training, and an up-close and personal introduction to living like the local people live. (We will see how close our sons’ imaginations come to reality.) We have been warned that we will not have access to email or telephone service during that time, except for emergencies and one phone call to tell someone that we arrived safely. Paper mail, however, will be forwarded from our Ukarumpa address (in the masthead, above) to us in Nobnob, near Madang. Please check with us before sending any packages, as the import taxes and customs restrictions may prevent us from receiving some items.

After POC, we will once again have email access in Ukarumpa, and the same email address (mpj@eBible.org) will work.

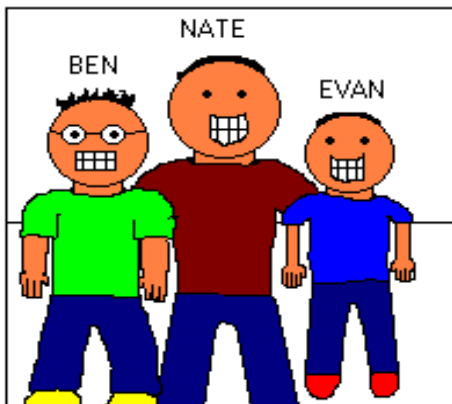
Thank You!

We appreciate all of the prayers, gifts, hospitality, and fellowship that you have extended to us during our time in Colorado. We regret that we were not able to visit with so many of you. Our next time in the USA probably won’t be until summer of 2003. Until then, our prayer for you all is: “Beloved, I pray that you may prosper in all things and be healthy, even as your soul prospers.” (3 John 2, WEB).

Kid's Column

By Nate, Ben, and Evan

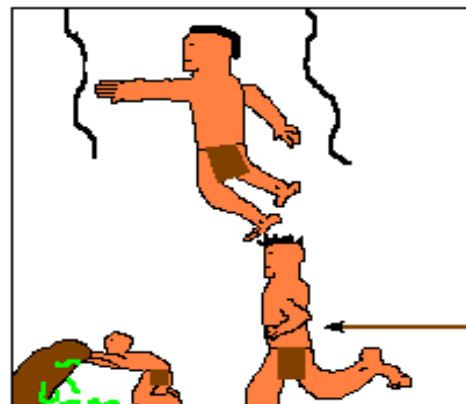
It has been more than a year since we left Longmont, but we are now leaving for Papua New Guinea. By the time you read this, we should be in New Guinea. We left Dallas around Dec. 18 and went up to Grand Junction, Colorado, where we spent Christmas with our grandparents. We also got to visit Longmont and visit all sorts of people there. Right now, we're back in the Grand Junction area. I guess half the fun is getting there. We'll stop in Hawaii, Tokyo, Singapore, and Port Moresby. Then we get in a small commercial aircraft and head out for Madang, where we'll be going through jungle training. Out of the 15 weeks of training, we get to spend 5 of those living in a hut! There we'll learn important things, like the language, how to cook crocodile, peel taro, and how to treat malaria. Unfortunately, we won't be able to send newsletters out for a while, so this will be the last Kid's Column for a while. Oh, and I know you're all wondering what name won our last month's gecko naming contest. Drumroll please... The name of the lizard is “Komodo Dragon.” He was reintroduced to his natural habitat (a wall) in Dallas. Until we come out as a family of Tarzans: ahhhhoahhhaa.



We were three (somewhat) normal kids about to move to the jungles of Papua New Guinea



We were brought to the Jungle Camp where we learned to be like them.



Pretty soon we fit right in