

That They May Know YOU



"And this is eternal life, that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent." John 17:3

The Newsletter of Pastor Larry and Tina Matro, LCMS missionaries serving in Papua New Guinea

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For the current school year, there are 88 students here from 20 different areas throughout PNG. They all have to be high school graduates, pass an English entrance exam, have the approval of their pastor and have the necessary financial support (about \$ 1000/year) before they are accepted as students.

Here is a small glimpse into their life here at Martin Luther Seminary.



The students gather for Chapel daily. On Mondays the Principal often addresses the students after chapel on a topic of his own choosing.



Students take 4-5 classes & each meets 4 times a week. There are 3 expat teachers (Australian, German and us) and 11 teachers from PNG (part and full-time).



Single students live in shared rooms. Married students who bring their spouse and family live in small houses on campus.



The cooks prepare 3 meals a day. (They seem to complain about the food here, too!) Married students receive a food allowance and garden space.



The Library is a popular and important place for research, assignments and reading. Some of the students have had little exposure to a library before coming here. Tina is working to introduce new books to the MLS Library.



The students are encouraged to attend a local church on Sunday morning. In the evening there is chapel that is led by students and teachers.

We are thankful to you, Mission Central, the Office of International Mission (LCMS) and our coworkers and colleagues here and throughout Asia! Working together, we are sharing the Word of God and Jesus with many!

Your continued, generous and faithful support are both necessary and a blessing to us and those with whom we live and work. Gifts can be given through the **LCMS** (PO Box 66861, St. Louis, MO 63166/lcms.org/matro) or **Mission Central**

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God bless you!

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