

Dear family and friends,

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Back Translator, Brittany, and Village Dad

We praise God that our village dad is crafting stories with us now. His being available has made all the difference as in the past 6 days we have done 3 stories!

I was worried about potential distractions and finding the ideal time and setting for crafting and God provided. We usually start a new story in the evening sitting in dad's room with its one little light bulb. Our mom sits in because she wants to learn the stories too (in fact it was her idea that dad learn them from us).

Early the next morning we practice the story. Then dad goes off to town for the day and we test other stories with friends. When dad comes home in the afternoon we practice again and then that night we add more new material. The goal is by the following morning to record.



Amanda in Recording Studio

We prayed a lot before doing the story where Jesus says he is God. We explained how God came to earth as Jesus so he could die in his people's place just like the sacrifices made for forgiveness during Moses' day. Our dad asked if we believed that and we said yes and then he said he did too.



Lye, Brittany's village brother

Every year our people celebrate a Muslim holiday commemorating Abraham's willingness to sacrifice his son. Dad said at least 10 years ago after praying on this holiday he had a dream about a man. A voice said, "Don't be scared, I am Jesus." Obviously God has already been working to call dad to Himself. It is our prayer now that when we reach the stories about baptism that dad recognizes this as the proper response of those who follow Jesus.

Thanks for your prayers. They are making a difference in our dad's life for eternity!

Brittany Bedford

Mandu Sheriff



Brittany and Amanda at the Rio Tinto Mine