

# Stutzman Summary

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## Translation

John Keru did not come to the National Translator's course as planned, although he is still planning to come to Ukarumpa to finish translating Genesis with Robert. His commitment to his people seems to have dimmed somewhat since our last letter. Please pray for God's will to be realized in his life.

## Literacy

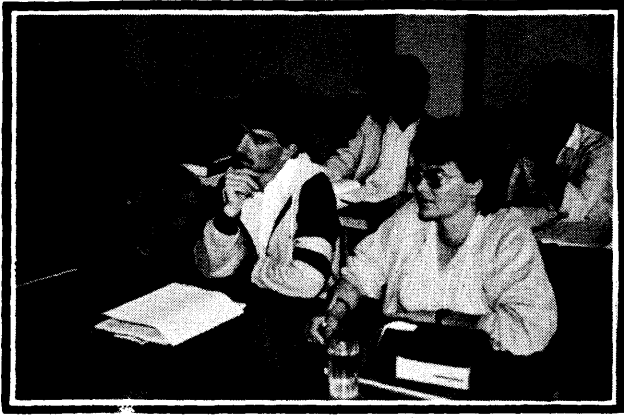
While we were in Sopus, Verna got involved in the community school, teaching the students how to read Tauade. This was a very successful experience, because the school children seemed very interested and learned very quickly. There are over 100 students in the school in grades 1,2,4, and 5. All the kids were crammed into a room about 18 by 20 feet square and sitting on the floor. By the end of two weeks about one third of the 4th and 5th graders were writing stories in their own language. Now we are putting those stories into a reader for them.

## Village Scripture Checking

During our last trip to Sopus we checked the Joseph story with the people for readability. Although we completed the checking, it was very difficult to interest people to come and work with us. Often when we got out the scriptures and began reading them, people would get up and leave. Please pray that God would by His Holy Spirit draw them to Himself.

## Family

Jason and Jeremy had very positive experiences in the Children's Homes this time. God really honoured our commitment to him in taking care of them. Jason is keeping busy with track, weight lifting, and a parttime job at the Linguistic library after school. That doesn't give him enough time for motorcycle riding. Jeremy keeps busy with riding bicycle, working with his chemistry set, playing Nintendo, and making root beer to sell.



John, Robert, and Verna in the translation workshop in March 1991.



Jeremy's 13th birthday .

Thank you for your prayers, letters, packages, and financial gifts. Without you standing behind us, we could not accomplish anything. We need you and appreciate you. We pray for you that God will bless you exceedingly.

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