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Greetings from the Southern Hemisphere!

Praise the Lord! We are fine and in good health. We are now very busy in our various tasks. Bob is working full days in the Finance Department. His activities include correcting account errors and training the national bookkeepers of the various departments to do their jobs.

I spend my mornings in the computer room making sure that financial data is correctly entered into the computer and in processing the various financial reports that are needed. My afternoons are spent at the High School teaching Accounting to six missionary kids, three of which will graduate this June and return to the U.S. for college.

The boys have adjusted quite well to school. Jeremy started grade one in February and Jason, grade four. Their favourite past-time is playing with rhinoceros beetles, which are black, two inches long, and hiss when poked or prodded. Jeremy claims that he doesn't miss anything from Canada. Jason said he missed building snowhouses, but added quickly that he only missed it a very little bit.

Since we are in our third house here and we have to move again next month Bob suggested that he missed living in our own house most. (He gets to carry the heavy boxes on moving days!) What do I miss most? You'd never guess! I miss watching football games most of all!

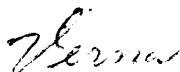
Our houseboy is Heine, a married man with five children. He comes two mornings a week and he does an excellent job of cleaning the house, doing the laundry, ironing, and whatever else needs to be done. We praise the Lord for him!

Last month we had the opportunity to attend the Binumarien New Testament Dedication. The Oatridge family has spent the past twenty-five years in this area working on the translation. They have raised their family in this little village and have gone through many difficulties. It brought tears of joy to our eyes and many others as we watched the Binumariens themselves conduct the Dedication Service and thank the Oatridges for coming and for staying. Then after the service the boxes of published New Testaments were opened and people were eager for their own personal copy. That makes it all seem worthwhile.

This month we have an opportunity to take a short linguistic course here to test our aptitude for Bible translation. We have been interested in doing translation work ourselves for over a year. Please pray that we will clearly understand God's will in this matter.

Thanks for your continued interest and prayer for the work here.

Love,



Bob, Verna, Jason and Jeremy Stutzman.