

December 1989

Highlights of 1989:

March: We got indoor plumbing in our village house. What a blessing!

April: Sixty people were baptized in the Sopus area by the fledgling Christian Revival Church.

July: Robert finally got over the hill! (40 years old) We passed our written language test.

August: We attended the grammar workshop and made great progress on the Tauade grammar analysis.

September: Robert and Jason did a five day dialect survey hike in the northern part of the Tauade language group. They collected language data and met new Christians.

October: We received trial orthography status for the Tauade language project.

November: We passed our oral language test.

December: We plan to turn in our grammar paper (around 100 pages) describing the Tauade grammar for consultant checking.

Plans for 1990:

Jan-Feb: Organize the anthropology data we have collected about the Tauade people.

March: Attend the anthropology workshop.

Apr-May: More language learning in Sopus.

June: Return to Canada for a six month furlough.

July-Aug: Visit friends, relatives, and churches in Indiana, Alberta, and Manitoba.

Sept-Dec: Settle in the Steinbach, Manitoba area.

Jan: Return to PNG, the Lord willing.

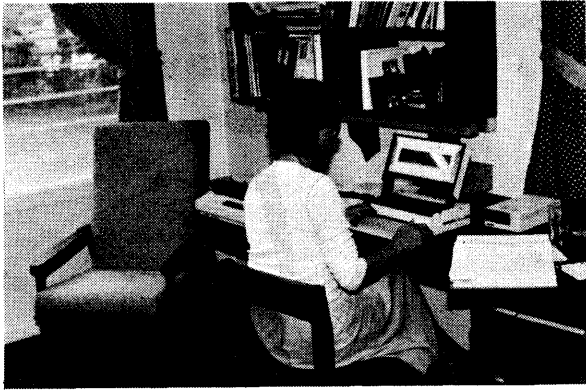


May a joyful heart be your special blessing this Christmas and always.

Lots of love,

*Robert & Verna*

Robert & Verna Stutzman



1. Verna busy working on the Tauade grammar analysis.
2. Robert and Jason leaving on a 5 day survey hike, up and down and over the mountains and through 'rascal' territory.
3. Jason and Jeremy leaving Sopy after a 2 week school break, to go back to school for Term 4.

*Thanks for the letter.*

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