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It's taken 60 years but we're getting there! Wycliffe Translators, Des & Jenny Oatridge, began the Bible translation program with the nearby Binumarien language group in 1959. Now, 60 years later, it is a joy for me to work with these five Binumarien Christian men, working to transform the published Scripture into audio form. Each member of the team reads a different part, making it a "multivoice recording."



As subsistence farmers, they're usually hard at work in their gardens, so they don't find it easy to be sitting all day! In PNG Pidgin English they said to me, "*Taim ol lain bilong mi i stap long haus i ken harim Tok bilong God insait long AudioBible, na ol bai tanim bel na senisim laip bilong ol.*" (Time all my people stay at home they can hear Talk of God in the AudioBible, and they will turn their insides and change lives of theirs.)

Sakias has now waited over 2 months since his hernia diagnosis in July. His surgery will be at Goroka Hospital on Thursday 10 October. Please pray over the next few weeks for a successful procedure and a speedy recovery, so he can continue as a technician for the Binumarien New Testament recording, which we hope can resume on 21 October. A wonderful man with 4 children & can't do without him!



Next week, I visit the wonderful Kanite people, who have maintained their own reading classes for 5 years now without government help. We don't know of any other place in the country where this has happened! We recorded Mark's Gospel earlier this year in our studio, with people from different churches wonderfully coming together to work as a team. We plan to record their New Testament next year. The link for you to enable the PNG people to have AudioBibles is: <https://wycliffe.org.au/projects/audio-bibles/>

God bless you all!

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#### PRAAYER POINTS

- Pray Sakias will know God's peace as he faces surgery on Thursday 10 October.
- Pray the hospital will have all the equipment and supplies they need that day for the operation and for guidance for doctors and staff & for a strong recovery.
- Praise that 18 AudioBibles were sold at the September Goroka Show, as well as Scriptures and free WiFi phone downloads of God's Word too.
- Praise for work done so far to record most of the Binumarien Gospels.
- Praise for the faithful Kanite classes and their faithful teachers.