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## *Four tourniquets had kept the blood from squirting out for 12 hours now.*

Herbal leaves made a thick and tight wrapping around the tribal man's wrist. His bloodless thumb no longer felt needle pricks, and the fingers barely responded.

The man, Gabinus, had hiked for hours from another village. A sweet guy with a contagious smile, he teaches Bible and literacy in a tribal church. But as he was cutting open a dry coconut with his long machete, it hit a post above his head causing the knife to come down right on his wrist, cutting it to the bone.

Villagers prepared to take him by canoe to the government aid post, but he couldn't move without blood spurting out of his wrist. They were afraid he would die on the way.

Hearing of the situation, Kelley Housley and Promise Vaughan, missionaries in the village, set off to the river. By then, Gabinus couldn't move without the blood seeping out.

Knowing they needed outside advice, the women called Dr. Kevin, NTM's physician in Papua New Guinea. After prayer for help and guidance, removing the bandage, and applying direct pressure for an hour, the wound still bled. He could not get to the aid post like this, and even if he could, his vascular injuries were too complicated for an aid post to handle.

"A man without a hand in this culture is definitely handicapped as they survive through physical labor," wrote the Housleys. "Well, at least it is not the hand that he

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Nate Schrag  
The Pilot

writes with!" said his tribal friends, trying to be encouraging to this Bible teacher.

Kelley's husband Bill called the NTM pilot.

"Even though it was a Sunday and even though he is the only 206 pilot flying right now in the entire country, our pilot Nate Schrag didn't miss a beat as he headed out the door to come pick up this believer."

"Within an hour and a half, we had the man on the other side of the river at the airstrip, recovering from that short move. Then up in the blue sky, there came Nate."

"I love that when we said, 'Sorry for calling you in on a Sunday' that Nate's response was, 'This is what I am here for.' I love that our village chief was thanking Nate and told us later how much it meant to have [Nate] leave his family on his day off and come in here for one of their people."

By the time the missionaries had crossed back over the river and made their way to the top of the hill again, Gabinus was already at the hospital in town being treated.

"Nate's smile and willingness to come today blessed the believers here and blessed us, too, and we are so thankful to be part of this team," wrote Bill & Kelley Housley.

They exhorted, "Please pray for our NTMA-PNG aviation program. We are hurting here in many ways and the aviation team is carrying a tremendous burden.

Thanks for being part of the team bringing Christ's good news of salvation to the ends of the earth here in PNG!"





## *Rugged mountains. Steaming jungles. Scattered islands.*

All populated with tribal people who need to hear God's Word. Air service is essential for reaching them.

But NTMA's fleet of Cessna 206's is aging quickly. They need to be replaced as soon as possible.

"We serve many missionaries who live in places so remote that it's nearly impossible for any kind of vehicle to get there," say the leaders of NTM PNG. "To serve them, we rely on aircraft the same way most of you rely on a car. And in recent years, our situation has been sort of like relying on aging sub-compact that require premium gasoline. The pilots and mechanics of NTM Aviation who serve us need a better tool."

"The leadership of NTM-PNG and NTM Aviation USA believes that the Kodiak will meet our present and future aviation needs in PNG better than any other affordable aircraft on the market, and that now is the time to pursue it."

We are asking God to provide a Kodiak for PNG ASAP.

The Kodiak was designed SPECIFICALLY to meet the needs of mission organizations operating on rugged, mountainous airstrips in remote locations. It is built to carry 10 passengers or a ton of cargo, and it can take off and land in high altitudes on very short runways — perfect for our missionaries serving in locations where the only way in or out is by aircraft.

"Powered by a PT6 turbine engine, it can safely fly long distances over water (like medevacs to Australia—and we've had 4 in the last 8 weeks!). And be-

cause it runs on Jet-A fuel, it will eventually replace our aging Cessna 206 fleet, which burns expensive and hard-to-find avgas," writes Eric Zimmerman, NTMA PNG aircraft mechanic."

"New Tribes Mission is hoping to put a Kodiak into service for us and our tribal teammates in PNG *as soon as possible*, and you can help make this possible," says Eric.

- Will you please pray with us that God will provide the \$2,485,000 USD needed for the plane? \$1.9 M is for the plane itself; the rest is for outfitting, pilot & mechanic training, start-up parts inventory, transport to PNG, customs/duty/registration fees in PNG, etc.
- Will you please ask God if He wants you to help meet this need?
- Will you prayerfully consider sharing this need with others, so they can take part in prayer and giving?

To learn more about this project and to give online, go to

<http://usa.ntm.org/projects/kodiak-for-png>

Please pray for more pilots to come and help and for the Kodiak airplane that the mission is working toward acquiring to serve the tribal churches of this country.

**Bill & Kelley Housley, tribal missionaries**

### *The Little Chopper That Could... Still Can!*

*Remember that in June we asked you to pray for the R-44 helicopter that was down for major engine repairs on the island of Luzon in the Philippines. With the combined efforts of Josh Dalton and Zach Keller in the Philippines, our Parts Department in McNeal, and Brett Randolph from McNeal, we are happy to report that the helicopter is flying again and servicing our tribal missionaries on Luzon.*

*Lightspeed Foundation is giving a \$10,000 Pilot's Choice grant to an aviation nonprofit organization chosen by vote to be the people's favorite. If you would like to help NTMA win this grant to help pay for the repairs on this "Little Chopper," please go to [www.lightspeedaviationfoundation.org/](http://www.lightspeedaviationfoundation.org/) before November 1. and vote for us.*

*And thank you very much for praying.*

***If you wish to give by phone you may call toll free (866) 547-2460. When you call specify your gift for the PNG Kodiak Project. If you wish to give by check please make your check payable to New Tribes Mission and note that your gift is for the PNG Kodiak Project, and mail it to New Tribes Mission, 1000 East First Street, Sanford, FL 32771.***