Dear Friend, March 2021

Thank you for your ongoing support for HOPE worldwide in the SPA region. On a personal note, my family and I have been very fortunate throughout the COVID19 pandemic so far. Despite the intermittent restrictions and disruptions, we are incredibly grateful for the support of friends and family and how the Australian government has handled the crisis. As a country we have missed much of the devastation from overwhelming numbers of people infected with the corona virus and the negative impact of a shrinking economy. As a family we have grown closer relationally and realise that we are in a very privileged position. With this in mind, we hope to be generous and help others who are struggling at this time. Please have a look at the links below that give an update on what HOPE is doing. There are ongoing needs in Fiji and Papua New Guinea and we will be looking to have a church collection over Easter directed towards the needs of church members and a second collection in June (HOPE Day of Giving) which will support the wider community. If you would like to make a donation in advance of this, you can do this on the HOPE website:

- (1) just for Church members in Fiji/PNG https://www.hopeworldwide.org.au/members.html,
- (2) for the wider community https://www.hopeworldwide.org.au/donate.html
 - HOPE Food Aid Globally- thank you!
 - HOPE update from PNG and Fiji
 - Global Service interns reminding us to serve on a **HOPE Volunteer Corps**
 - Shoe boxes of school supplies received in <u>PNG</u>

Love and Prayers,

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