

This issue will update you on the Intermediate Writers' Workshop schedule.

## Josiah Workshop

We had a wonderful workshop here at Wewak on 15 through 21 April. Two participants from last year's POM workshop came and were joined by two participants from last year's Wewak workshop. Several others who were going to attend had last minute conflicts.

As said in the previous letter, we met on Tuesday, 15 March, and debated about several topics as to which one we wanted to research and write about. But before that, we had a devotion from a special man, Alan Davidson. His father was a pioneer missionary to Wewak and many places in East Sepik Province, beginning in 1948.

Alan is 75 years old and Reggie asked him, "If the Lord gives you 5 more years of good health, what would you like to see accomplished?" He had a very clear answer. He talked about his involvement with people who are hooked on drugs and how they established a drug rehabilitation centre in his town in Australia. What he wants to see these next 5 years is a drug rehabilitation centre established by the churches in East Sepik Province.

His testimony got us thinking very much about the youth of PNG and why so many are ruining their lives. This led us to choose to write about Josiah, someone who had many reasons to fail, he could point his finger in many directions and blame others, but instead, as a young man of 16 he made



an irreversible commitment to seek the Lord with all his heart. He followed through on this and changed the world.

It is an amazing story. Hopefully the book will be published before the end of the year.

## Next Workshop

The next workshop will also be at Wewak, and begins on 3 May. There will be some other great topic to study and write about. If you are able to join us, please do.

## Goroka

I haven't been able to set a date for the Goroka workshop yet. There have been so many demands with CBM and other ministry and family obligations that I haven't been able to schedule a time yet, but it will take place.

## Auwi

An important member of our Josiah workshop was Pastor Auwi Muki. When the workshop was done we said our goodbyes and didn't know that this would be the last time we would see him alive on this earth. The Lord chose to take him home through a sudden and quick illness.

For those of us who knew him, he remains a strong inspiration. He had been a grade 8 leaver, a Rasta boy in neglected SHP, but when he gave his life to



the Lord the Lord did mighty things in and through him. He even became a director of CBM and was vice-chairman of the board. But for some reason unknown to us, the Lord decided to give him an early promotion. We truly miss you, brother.

Thank you and God bless.

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