



# On the Goat Track

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## Working in Silugri

One of my roles is supporting our recordists with their computer problems (actually that has now become a secondary role for me). Some that I have been particularly helping are the team in Silugri, India. Many of them were trained last year, and they received a new computer from us.

The team (Alex, Kim and Surendra) that did the training last November did their best to remove viruses, spyware and trojans from the existing computers and install our new anti virus program, but they were hampered by power outages, unreliable internet access, and problems getting the local wireless network setup. Add to that widely varying levels of computer fluency.

So in January I received cries for help from the office there. They had computers and couldn't use them. We are able to securely remotely access windows computers if they are connected to the internet by using a program called Bomgar. This company supports missions by

supplying this tool to them for free. By using this tool I was slowly able to clean up their computers and reinstall missing software (someone may have tried reinstalling a computer or two). I say slowly, because India is several timezones behind us, so that they start their day at about 2pm our time. Then, almost every day, their internet connection disconnects mid-morning, and it doesn't return until the next day.

When you are trying to run a scan on a computer, and you lose your connection and know that that computer will be powered down overnight it is very frustrating! But we finally got them working.

They recently had problems with a compact flash card corruption in their digital audio recorder. Graham was able to recover most of their files remotely using Bomgar.

This team is planning to record in many languages in their region. I have seen plans for over 28 languages in the near term. Pray for them, especially Lok, their leader, Jojo, a newly trained recordist, and Munam, their office lady who actually worked with me the most!

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### Coming up

Sep 14-25 IT Meetings  
Oct 8-31 Rockhampton trip



David with Augustus from The Gambia in the USA office



Ivanhoe's ice cream at ICCM in the USA

## Kate's Korner

Spring has arrived and it is almost the middle of September already. In 3 months the year will be over and a new one just beginning. Ahhhhh.

I recently completed my quilt top and now am waiting to get it machine quilted professionally. It is too big for me to do by hand, having never done hand quilting before, and it is too big for my machine anyway. I hope to get it done in the next few months. This quilt was going to be for my dad. I will be keeping it and it will go on our bed. When it is completed I will get David to put in a photo of it in a future newsletter.

I have been helping my mum deal with the things you need to do when someone passes away. It has been seven months now and Dad was finally laid to rest last week just before Father's Day. There were problems with a form not getting sent at the time it should have been and then there was a problem with the supplier of the granite the plaque is set on. Finally last week it was all completed. I hope to go and see it soon.

Mum has been coping alright but I think she is thankful that it is completed now. She misses Dad greatly. On Father's Day there was a service at the crematorium/cemetery which my brother Kerrie took Mum to. They said it was a good service. The legal side is close to completion as well which is a relief. On the 19th of September my Mum and Dad were to celebrate their

45th Wedding Anniversary so please pray for my mum on that day.

David and I are preparing for our trip to Rockhampton in October. We tested out the camper overnight last weekend and it seems to be ok. Just a couple of things to get right then we'll be on our way telling others about GRN.

Thank you for all your continued prayer and support. We really appreciate it.

## The Wild West

David's trip to the USA was interesting. He got some greater exposure to American Christian culture, and got to know one or two of the USA staff a bit better. He also attended the US ICCM conference ([www.iccm.org](http://www.iccm.org)), present 2 sessions, and showed off the Saber hand wind MP3 player, which won the Technology for Mission competition. There were also opportunities to discuss planning of international ICCM conferences in which David is involved. Taylor University, the hosts, have some classes who can develop software for missions as part of the students course. David feels that God is leading GRN to have them develop software for the Global Studio, an important GRN project.



### Prayer

For our trip to Rockhampton and visits with churches.

For Katrina's family dealing with the loss of Laurie.

For David as he provides IT support to GRN staff in Australia and Globally

For GRN International IT Team meetings in Sydney during September

For Katrina as she manages the monthly mailout of Tracks and Rejoice at GRN

## Have Van, will travel

You may remember that our tent got pierced by a branch last time we went camping. Well, that isn't going to happen again for a while. Using some of the money from David's inheritance we have bought a fairly old, but little used, Diesel 1985 Toyota Hiace Campervan. David was still at Uni when it was built, and the conversion was done in the suburb in which he grew up! This not only replaces our tent for some holidays, it also gives us a second vehicle for those days that Katrina wants the car (she can't drive the manual (column shift!) van), plus we are planning to use it to visit supporters and churches around the country. Even though the van is 24 years old, it only has 80,000km on the speedo. Our first trip is to Rockhampton in October, and we are organising visits on the way up (inland via Moree) and return.



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