

Langham Preaching

Equipping a new generation of Bible teachers

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Participants: 70 pastors and lay preachers
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Total costs: US\$ 16,500

Papua New Guinea

Papua New Guinea is the name for the Eastern half of the island of New Guinea in the South Pacific. Ethnically and linguistically, it is the world's most complex nation, with cultures that have been moulded by a potent mix of unique geography, successive migrations, sorcery, warfare, Christianity, colonialism and, most recently, modernisation.

Almost the whole population has a link to a Christian denomination, but sometimes this allegiance is superficial: the island has been marked by a high level of violence and crime, and the old ethnic religions remain a powerful underlying influence. There is a need for a robust Christianity that challenges and radically transforms basic values and beliefs, to stem the tide of disillusionment with Christianity that is beginning to develop in certain areas. Without this, people revert to traditional customs and often succumb to social evils such as drunkenness and gambling.

Having been invited to attend the launch of the Langham Preaching movement in neighbouring Vanuatu, one pastor described his joy at the teaching: 'Digging the word of God in the way you have shown to us is like mining gold in the highlands of Papua New Guinea where I live. It's a new exposure to really concentrate and dig out what it means to see the Bible come alive and relate to every day living'. Subsequently, this group of pastors invited Langham Preaching to launch a preaching movement in their own country.

For further information regarding the development of the Langham Preaching movement, please see the panel to the right, which describes the three-level programme that is designed to sustain training over several years. We would welcome your prayerful support as we partner with the churches in Papua New Guinea.



Langham Partnership International has been established in response to the request for partnerships within the global church to support preachers and teachers. Langham does so through its three

programmes of Literature, Scholars and Preaching. It is founded on a basic conviction: that God wants his church to grow up, that God's church grows through God's Word, and that God's Word comes to us mostly through effective preaching.

Langham Preaching works with national leaders to establish a movement for Biblical preaching through seminars, local preachers clubs, regional networks, and grass-roots training initiatives. First, there is a week-long seminar. From there, everyone is encouraged to join a local preachers club. There follows a level 2 and then a level 3 seminar. Next, a small team is selected who join a further level – the training of local facilitators. These local trainers run small events in their area. In this way there is a cascade effect, as practical training reaches preachers in towns and villages across each country.

During 2009, some 40 country programmes will be underway in many parts of Africa, Latin America, Asia, the Pacific, the Caribbean, Europe and Eurasia. We provide a range of materials which you are welcome to receive, including regular Newsletters, short prayer bulletins, and ways to sponsor a pastor to attend one of the country programmes. Response forms from your local LPI member are available with this brochure.

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