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Bedridden man hears Gospel

WEWAK, Papua New Guinea (Dec. 8th, 2004): Sasemou was bleeding extensively from his deep wounds. His family, knowing that he would die without help, carried him the day's hike to the home of missionary Tom Brendle.

Tom contacted the mission's doctor, Kevin Ludwig, by radio to ask how to help this man who had been gored by a wild pig.

Dr. Ludwig talked Tom through the procedure, explaining the technique for suturing all of Sasemou's wounds. After 16 hours of suturing, the man's life was saved.

That was five years ago.

Today, Sasemou is sick and bedridden and unable to attend evangelistic Bible teaching in the neighboring Siawi tribe of Papua New Guinea. But he is hearing the Gospel.

A family of three brothers from Sasemou's language group, the Atas, has moved among the Siawis to hear the teaching. The men hear the Bible lessons in the Siawi language, then teach their wives and children in their own language to make sure they understand the message.

One of these brothers, now a believer, hikes back to his own village each week to bring lesson books and to teach Sasemou.

Tom's ministry is once again touching Sasemou's life. The man who would have bled to death without the missionary's help, is now receiving life-giving words because of Tom and his co-worker, Jason Swanson, and because new believers are taking God's Word to other language groups.

Pray for the continued spread of the Gospel and that Sasemou will come to know the One who can save his life for eternity.