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Dear Friends,

Papua New Guinea's government and civic departments (as is the case worldwide) are saturated with corruption! PIM stands apart from this with its biblical witness and good works in the East Sepik. Consequently, in 2017 the Justice department contracted PIM's construction department to build two prefabricated building in Ambunti. PIM employees took on the challenge and completed both buildings-- one in 2018 and the other in 2019.

The official opening of these buildings has been delayed by the untimely death of the Chief Justice and another key representative. The ceremony was finally coordinated and planned to coincide with the National Day of Prayer and Reconciliation on August 26th 2026. These events included the presenting of the ceremonial key for the Community Law and Justice Centre in Ambunti (See picture above) as well as opening another located at the downriver station of Yambi. At 9 AM Tuesday morning a women's group from one of the Ambunti churches, dressed in uniforms, marched ahead of dignitaries on the town soccer field. They sang the national anthem and raised the flag and then we all listened to four hours of speeches by local politicians, officials, and the three invited pastors. The longest speech was from the current Member of Parliament. He is a Christian and stressed the



importance of the people following Christian principles for the good and prosperity of PNG.

The aim of the Justice Department is to have a broad range of legal services available locally for people rather than only in the coastal towns. Now that these two opening ceremonies have occurred, we hope to see more activity in the buildings supporting the application of law enforcement by the police contributing to more order in PNG. It was encouraging during these events to hear and interact with the both of the Members of



Parliament (MP of Ambunti-Dreikikeir and MP of Wosera-Gawi) who are Christians. Both are appreciative of PIM's efforts and commitment to helping in PNG.

We pray they will be effective servants in the positions that God has allowed them to hold. "Which commandment is the most important of all?" 29 Jesus answered, "The most important is, 'Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. 30 And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.' 31 The second is this: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these."

Mark 12

In His Service,
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