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# SONGS OF JOY IN THE JUNGLE

The Mengen people of Papua New Guinea are singing to their Savior.

They used to sing to their dead ancestors, but after receiving the Gospel, they gather every day in different huts to sing praises to God. With the traditional beat of a drum and several repetitions, the jungle now reverberates with:

*“Let’s all lift up God’s name. We believe that He is the Father of All Strength.*

*He sent His Son to die and redeem us from our sins!*

*God, you are very big. You are very strong. We place our trust in you.*

*God our Father is very big. He is over all things.*

*The angels and all of us people worship Him.*

*The Lord God created us and put everything here for us.”*

The singing is often accompanied by testimonies of how God is working in their lives.

One tribal man shared how he was recently coming home alone from his garden. Culturally, Mengen people have always considered traveling alone very risky because they fear the spirits of the forest.

But now as he walked along, he prayed and thanked God for everything Christ had done for him. He said he experienced such a tremendous joy that he suddenly burst into song—and into tears. He said his joyful song about God’s mercy and forgiveness became so loud it echoed through the forest.

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“Sing to the Lord, bless His name;  
Proclaim the good news  
of His salvation from day to day.  
Declare His glory among the nations,  
His wonders among all peoples.”

Psalm 96:2-3

## \*praise

"Next time I go hunting and I see a wild pig I'm going to say, 'Thank you Creator! You made that!' Now when I peel a banana or eat a sweet potato I know that it's God who gave it to me and I say, 'Thank you Creator!'" —Amiyomee, Moi Tribe, Indonesia

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**"GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD  
FOR HIS GOODNESS,  
AND FOR HIS WONDERFUL WORKS  
TO THE CHILDREN OF MEN!"**

**PSALM 107:21**

## We're having chicken tonight.

Binaldu sat on his rickety porch in the late afternoon shade of the Philippines. He couldn't stop thinking about what he had learned and believed from the Bible. Jesus had been the sacrifice for his sins. Now he was free. Free of sin and free of the spirits.

And that's when the idea came to him.

He quickly grabbed his air-rifle and headed off down the trail.

"Hey Binaldu! Where are you going so fast?" his Banwaon neighbor asked as he rushed by.

"I'm going to shoot that chicken I've been raising to sacrifice to the spirits! I know now that the spirits were just lying to us and trying to drag us down to Hell. I'm never going to sacrifice to them again! Jesus was sacrificed once for all of us. Nothing more is needed. So I'm going to cook up that chicken for me and my family and have a feast!"

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## *Hey, they're cheating!*

At the end of a Bible lesson missionary Lisa Kappeler asked, "What did God change Jacob's name to?" Immediately some of the Uriay men, who only recently learned to read, began searching the Scriptures for the answer. After a few minutes one man shouted triumphantly, "Israel!" Some of the group complained that the men cheated by looking at Bible verses. It was a great opportunity for Lisa to remind them that the Bible IS the place to go for answers.





**December**  
2010

sun	mon	tue	1 wed	2 thu	3 fri	4 sat
<b>“Jesus is God. Jesus died to pay for my sins. He is the Savior.”</b> — Bagar; Landuma tribe, Guinea						
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25 Christmas
26	27	28	29	30	31	



January  
2011

sun	mon	tue	wed	thu	fri	1 sat
<p><b>“We used to be afraid of the spirits. We used to be afraid of death. But now we are no longer living in fear.”</b> —Piyando; Moi tribe, Indonesia</p>						<p>New Year's Day</p>
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

Martin Luther King Jr.  
Day

A close-up photograph of a young girl with a joyful expression. She is wearing a vibrant, multi-colored headscarf with red, purple, and pink fringed edges. Her hands are placed on her cheeks, and she has a wide, open-mouthed smile showing her teeth. The background is a soft-focus green, suggesting an outdoor setting with foliage. In the bottom left corner, the text 'February 2011' is overlaid in a white, sans-serif font.

**February**  
2011



sun	mon	1 tue	2 wed	3 thu	4 fri	5 sat
www.ntm.org			Groundhog Day			
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14 Valentine's Day	15	16	17	18	19
20	21 Presidents' Day	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	<p><b>“I’m so thankful that you came to share the good news about Jesus with us.”</b> — Satukali; Lauje tribe, Indonesia</p>				



**March** 2011

sun	mon	1 tue	2 wed	3 thu	4 fri	5 sat
<p><b>“How can I not believe?”</b>            —Shipa; Tarahumara tribe,            Mexico</p>						
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13  Daylight Savings Time begins	14	15	16	17  St. Patrick's Day	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31	<a href="http://www.ntm.org">www.ntm.org</a>	



April 2011

sun	mon	tue	wed	thu	1 Fri	2 sat
<p><b>“If you know something I don’t, you better tell me because this ground is going to swallow me soon.”</b>            — Willy; Yembiyembi tribe, Papua New Guinea</p>						
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Palm Sunday		Passover			Good Friday	
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Easter						



May  
2011

1 sun	2 mon	3 tue	4 wed	5 thu National Day of Prayer Cinco de Mayo	6 fri	7 sat
8 Mother's Day	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30 Memorial Day	31	<p><b>“We have followed lies for years, God. Now we are hearing the Truth! Thank you, God.”</b> —Sepi; Papua New Guinea</p>			



**June** 2011



sun	mon	tue	1 wed	2 thu	3 fri	4 sat
<p><b>“God’s Talk is really big — it is truly life.”</b> —Lanisa; Tobo tribe, Papua New Guinea</p>						
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14 Flag Day	15	16	17	18
19 Father’s Day	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	www.ntm.org	



July  
2011

sun	mon	tue	wed	thu	1 Fri	2 sat
<p><b>“I thank the Lord that now I know that the Lord came to seek me, to buy me, and save me from sin.”</b> —Justino; Pai Tavy Tera tribe, Paraguay</p>						
3	4 Independence Day	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31						



**August**  
2011

<b>sun</b>	1 <b>mon</b>	2 <b>tue</b>	3 <b>wed</b>	4 <b>thu</b>	5 <b>fri</b>	6 <b>sat</b>
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31	<b>"I believe that Jesus' death on the cross was for my sins." — Wikipai; Dao tribe, Indonesia</b>		



September  
2011

sun	mon	tue	wed	1 thu	2 fri	3 sat
<p><b>“Even if no one else in this village believes in Jesus, I will still believe.” — Maadi; Malinke tribe, Senegal</b></p>						
4	5  Labor Day	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	



October  
2011



sun	mon	tue	wed	thu	fri	1 sat
<p><b>“I lived many years in darkness. I am happy that I now know the truth that is in God’s Word.” — Antonio; Pai Tavy Tera tribe, Paraguay</b></p>						
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10 Columbus Day Observed	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	Halloween 31					



**November**  
2011

sun	mon	1 tue	2 wed	3 thu	4 Fri	5 sat
www.ntm.org						
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Daylight Savings Time ends						
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Thanksgiving Day						
27	28	29	30	<p><b>You taught us God's Talk and my heart lit up.</b> — Auiyo; Nakui tribe, Papua New Guinea</p>		



**December**  
2011

sun	mon	tue	wed	1 thu	2 fri	3 sat
<p><b>I will never forget your words to me, 'Now, you go and become a witness for Jesus Christ.'</b></p> <p>— Letu; Tugutil tribe, Indonesia</p>						
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

Christmas



**January**  
2012

1 sun	2 mon	3 tue	4 wed	5 thu	6 Fri	7 sat
New Year's Day						
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16 Martin Luther King Jr. Day	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31	<b>We have chosen the way of the Cross. There is no turning back for us.” — Adiliano; Kuna tribe, Panama</b>			

# **"My head is just breaking open**

as I think about what Jesus  
did for me. Thank you God!"

Bau of the Dinangat, Papua New Guinea

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