

# RYAN AND SIOBHAIN COLE IN PAPUA NEW GUINEA



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## The Cole Communique



We made a short video to accompany our March newsletter. To watch it go to [www.ryanAndShiv.net/blog](http://www.ryanAndShiv.net/blog).

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Dear Friends & Supporters,

We had a good finish to our Home Assignment in the UK, visiting with family and friends, but sadly, once we reached PNG, my (Shiv's) Grandmother had received a terminal diagnosis and passed away by the end of February. These kind of situations are a major negative of being so far from family. Popping home to "help out", or even to attend the funeral, is just not practical. February was a really tough month where I felt pulled between my family in the UK and my home and calling in Telefomin. I am so grateful for the love and support of Ryan, my parents and some great friends.

We're so glad be home in Telefomin, but the pressure of being the only pilot family here for over a year weighs heavily on us both. The pilot family who are planned to move to Telefomin, have been unable to leave the UK, and are already 3 months delayed. Not knowing when they will be able to join us to share our burden is really tough.

We've really hit the ground running since being back at the end of January, but we are both very aware that we need to pace ourselves and look after each other, as we still have a minimum of 6 months before we get neighbours to support us. **We would value your prayers!**

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Ryan + Shiv

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### We are thankful...

- To be back in our home in Telefomin with Koda, our dog .
- That all our luggage travelled with us on every leg around the world!
- For a restful holiday in Singapore before returning to PNG.
- That Koda was SO well looked after by MAF friends whilst we were away.
- For the money to buy 3 months of groceries to take home with us.

### Please pray...

- For our new pilot neighbours to be able to leave the UK and join us in PNG.
- For Ryan's health as he's been a little under the weather since the middle of February.
- For Shiv's family, after the recent loss of her Grandmother, which has been particularly hard on Shiv.
- For recruitment of a full-time Country Director, more teachers for the Mission Schools and more pilots.

Telefomin Team with MAF Visitors...







### Our journey back to PNG

4 commercial flights from London to Mt Hagen, PNG, but we made it, with all of our luggage!



### Back with Koda

We missed our puppy so much whilst we were away. We are so grateful that he was so well looked after and didn't escape, although he did get up to some mischief for our friends.



### Our home in Telefomin

We're grateful to be home, but sadly it's been necessary to install security doors front-and-back on our house whilst we've been away.



### First Sunday Medevac

Within 48 hours of being back home in Telefomin, Ryan got his first call for a medical evacuation needed for a man in intestinal distress in Nomad River. Ryan had to pick him up and take him to his closest hospital in Kiunga.

Watch the video on [www.RyanAndShiv.net/blog/first-sunday-in-telefomin-medevac-feb2025](http://www.RyanAndShiv.net/blog/first-sunday-in-telefomin-medevac-feb2025)



### Saying goodbye

At the end of December, I (Shiv) visited my Grandmother. She had been unwell for a few weeks, and, sadly, she passed away in February. I'm so glad I got to visit her one last time, but saying goodbye is really hard!



### 6 weeks in the UK

We had a lovely time over Shiv's birthday and Christmas in the UK, visiting family and friends.

**More videos on our blog...**



### Getting ready to leave Mt Hagen

We spent a week in Mt Hagen, where Ryan did 2 days of flight checks and we had to buy 3 months worth of groceries, but eventually we set off for our last flight to get us home to Telefomin.



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