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# Cahill Update

## Digital Corner



Some web addresses are quite long, full of random jumbles of characters. This doesn't matter when browsing the web normally, but it looks rather ugly when you want to share a link with someone. Some sites have a Share button which *might* provide a shorter link than what is in the URL bar. But oftentimes, you can shorten the URL yourself.

Many websites like Google, Amazon, and eBay have extra characters added to the URL which track where you came from, or what pages you have looked at previously. Those extra characters are often listed after a ? or a & symbol. Removing the characters after those symbols can let you shorten the URL. For instance, normal eBay URLs can be shortened from over 500 characters to just 37 by removing those trackers!

Be sure to test the shorter links before you share them to make sure they work!



## Visiting Papua New Guinea

When I joined Tyndale, the director Rich Mattocks told me that the Ukarumpa missionary base in the highlands of PNG could use someone with my technical skills on the IT team there. He suggested that I do a month-long vision trip to see if that's where God wants me long-term.

The purpose of the trip will be to generally see what it's like there, get to know some of the missionaries in Tyndale and SIL who are living there, learn more of the process of how Bible translation is done and how computers are used... and if Rich has his way, find a wife! (I wouldn't mind that either.)

I am now in the process of booking that trip. It may even be booked by the time you read this. I will probably be gone from mid/late October through mid December.

I'll take a week on the tail end of that trip to do some touring in Australia. More details to come in future letters.

## It's raining churches!

Not literally. That would be absurd. But I have three church visits in the rest of September. I'll be speaking to a college group on Friday the 12<sup>th</sup>, and then to two small churches west of Fort Worth on the 14<sup>th</sup> and the 21<sup>st</sup>. One of these churches

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was one that I was going to visit in August, but the pastor suggested a later date would have more people in attendance. There's one more church which wants me to visit, but hasn't set a date yet.

The visit to my college church in San Antonio went well. I picked up a few new supporters there, and got to visit another supporter. The church is doing a lot of stuff for the community, including flood relief in Central Texas, and I was encouraged to see them being the hands and feet of Jesus in a very practical way.

My home church in Arlington is working with me to do a laptop drive at the beginning of October for people to donate their old laptops, which I'll then refurbish and send to national translators who need computers overseas. I had completely run out of my stockpile, and I even gave away a couple of our lesser-used test computers, so I'm grateful and hopeful for that opportunity.

## Windows 10 support ending

I have mentioned the support of Windows 10 computers in previous newsletters, but I think it will be good to say what that means for the average person.

Your Windows 10 computer will keep functioning. It will not instantly become vulnerable. But any future vulnerabilities

## Spiritual Thoughts

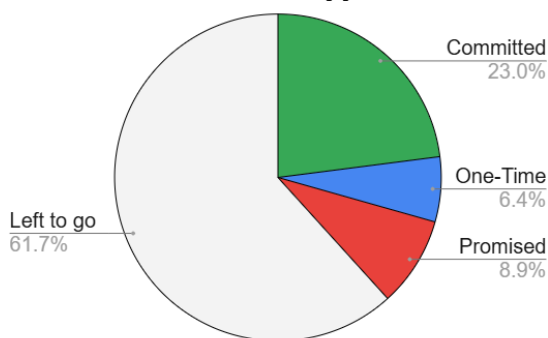
If I had a child who only complained, never said thank you, and just came to me when they wanted something from me, my relationship with that child would be *strained*, to put it mildly. Yet how often do we approach God the same way?

I often make a deliberate effort to come to God thankfully, acknowledging his sovereignty and his loving kindness.

I know that the occasions of my prayers usually fall into one of three categories, however. I am often only approaching God with flattering words to butter him up for some request, because I have scheduled time to talk with him, or because I feel guilty and need to confess

None of those are *bad* reasons to talk to God. But I want to make more of an effort to delight in prayer, and to praise God in all circumstances: The good, the bad, and the mundane.

### Financial Support



which are discovered will not be fixed by Microsoft.

Will your computer be compromised if you are still on Windows 10? Not right away, but there is a risk that vulnerabilities will be found later. How bad is that risk? It's probably a fairly low percentage, but the potential impact could be catastrophic.

I have put together a list of possible solutions and recommendations, so send me an email if you want to know more.

### What's going on at work?

We have a new coworker! Well, he's been around and already had a room in our space, but he's organizationally part of our team now. He is in the picture on the front side of the newsletter with me.

Ray will be taking over a lot of my job responsibilities when I take my vision trip to Papua New Guinea, so I've been training him in how I do computer setups and take care of other aspects of my job. Ray still has some responsibilities that carry over from his old position, but it looks like work won't grind to a screeching halt while I'm gone.

The new fiscal year starts October 1<sup>st</sup>, so there are a lot of people who are trying to rush to get a computer while we're still on

### Did you know?

*Google has been ordered to pay \$425 million for violating user privacy.*

this fiscal year's budget. And there are a number of people telling us that they're going to get a computer when the next fiscal year starts. That is to say, we've been extremely busy lately.

### Prayer Points

Thank you so much for praying! Here is what is currently on my mind and heart.

- That I would say the things God wants me to say at the churches I'm visiting soon.
- Arranging my trip to Papua New Guinea.
- Financial support from churches and individuals.
- That I find a godly woman to be my wife, and that God would be preparing both of our hearts for each other.

Thanks for reading and praying! I would love to hear back from you as well, so please drop me a message to let me know how you're doing and how I can be praying for you.

Yours in Christ,  
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