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Dear Praying Friends and Faithful Partners,

"No one can please God without faith, for whoever comes to God must have faith that God exists and rewards those who seek Him." Hebrews 11:6 TEV

As in previous years, we begin the year 2022 by faith, fully trusting in our God who remains changeless and faithful. We thank Him for His faithfulness in 2021 despite all the challenges we experienced. We trust in His provision from day to day, for: strength, wisdom, spiritual renewal, encouragement, protection, good health and the ability to persevere despite challenges and trials. We trust Him for finances to continue the ministries and outreaches in the islands of Micronesia, Palau and the Philippines. We thank Him for you dear praying friends and faithful partners – who have been faithful channels of His grace and blessings. We pray that our eyes will be fixed on Jesus throughout this year and that we may lay aside every encumbrance and the sin that easily entangles us so that we can run the 2022 race with determination, endurance and joy. It is my prayer for all of us that we may "be alert, stand firm in the faith, be brave, be strong, and to do all our work in love." (1 Cor. 16:13,14)

GUAM. Thanking God for a great time with family and friends in OH, TN and AZ during the Christmas and New Year break. The Lord protected and kept me safe. Thanks to internet, I was still in contact with our staff in the Philippines, Guam, Palau and Micronesia. I thank God for our faithful PMA team as together, we press on this 2022 in serving the Lord!

PHILIPPINES. Pastor Marty Lumigis shares: "First of all we thank the Lord that despite the many cancellations of activities during the month of December due to bad weather, our ministry continues. I met with our pastors and staff before Christmas and we discussed how we should prepare to face the challenges of this coming year. Realigning everything, focusing on PMA's mission and vision especially improving our way of reaching out to share the Gospel in each island station. We thank God that each church was able to distribute gifts to children and those in need and each church also celebrated the birth of our Lord with food and fellowship. We all appreciate the Lord's provision!"

BAHAY KALINGA ORPHANAGE, OR. MINDORO, PHILIPPINES. Despite the Pandemic situation, we are so grateful the children and staff are safe and healthy. We also thank God for the safe delivery (Cesarean) of Ms. **Jeny Guitierrez**, our BK Center Head on December 6, 2021 to a healthy baby boy! Mother and son are doing well!

PALAU. PMA welcomes **Paul Rho** and his wife **Rachel** to serve with us full time as Missionary Pastor for our PMF church and as Missionary Pilot. What a great answer to prayer! They have been in contact with PMA since 2014. His testimony: "Everything is by God's grace

and in His sovereign control. We are so thankful to our Lord God for guiding us here." Pastor Paul preached his first sermon in our Christmas Service and continues to experience God's revelation of His mission in Palau.

Monena Newton reports: "The last week of December has been windy and rainy in Palau. This means the boat cannot go to Angaur., so the only option for people to travel and send supplies to Angaur is by airplane. Christmas and New Year supplies needed to be delivered as well. This month we did 3 Medevacs. One passenger had an accident on Christmas Day, and two after New Year. A patient with asthma, and a 4-year-old patient who was vomiting. We praise the Lord for our airplanes, missionaries, and God's sustaining grace. We heard the people say PMA connects families in Angaur. We thank God for this testimony of His grace and faithfulness!"

YAP, MICRONESIA. We bid farewell to the Welge family who returned to Palau on December 30. Brock had come up to assist us with Maintenance on the King Air which was due for a Phase inspection and also to help us with our busy Christmas rush. Brock was a big help in teaching us more about overall King Air maintenance, fine tuning the engines as well as troubleshooting some problems. Rachel joined Heidi in homeschooling the kids as their group grew to 16 kids during that time. The islands became extremely dependent on PMA this year more than others because the vessel that normally makes a quarterly run was broken and could not take food for Christmas. At the same time, we had a goal to get as many shoeboxes delivered to the children for Operation Christmas Child before Christmas. In the middle of moving food and people to and from the islands, we also were moving precious gifts to all the Children with a gospel message. It was truly and busy Christmas, but our team feels very blessed to have had the privilege of supporting these remote islands physically and spiritually. By: Amos Collins

POHNPEI, MICRONESIA. "Beloved, do not let this one thing escape your notice: With the Lord a day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like a day." 2 Peter 3:8. Did I ever experience this truth. The Lord, however, was gracious with me and it was only 725 days until I was allowed to return to my place of ministry in Pohnpei. I left in December of 2019 for a — what was planned to be a two-month furlough with my family in Germany — and was only allowed to return on December 1st of 2021 due to the strict quarantine restrictions for Micronesia. Almost two years of waiting and prayers always hoping for the return to happen soon. All the while, I was able to get to know my small grandchildren and enjoy them as well as support my aging parents. The Lord is always good and now when I talk to the grandchildren on videochat, they know who their Nana is and where she lives and they want to come visit. For the Lord, no time is wasted time and even a long wait has its purpose. He will provide and work in the background so that His will be done. On the other hand, coming back to Pohnpei was so special and when I saw and hugged my church friends, it seemed like no time had passed at all and we could continue where we had stopped when I had left. No time is lost time when we trust in the Lord and do not lean on our own understanding. — From: **Sabine Musselwhite**

We praise God for His amazing grace – for His blessings and answered prayers – and for you dear partners who never grow tired of being gracious, praying for us and supporting us. Grace and peace to you all this 2022!

In Him we live and move and have our being,

Maria Melinda R. Espinosa

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