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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 2023 by faith, fully trusting in our God who remains changeless and faithful. We trust in His provision from day to day – for: strength, wisdom, spiritual renewal, encouragement 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 2023 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 the time I spent in the Philippines Starting December 13 Through January 4. I was able to visit our Pastors and staff in the Polillo island group and our staff and children at Bahay Kalinga Orphanage. Although my time with them was short – it was special and a blessing to each one. Travels to the islands were without challenges. The gale warning in the Polillos was up the whole time – but we were able to find an alternative route, albeit took us more time by land and by sea. Travel to Bahay Kalinga, Naujan, Mindoro, proved to be time consuming as many were traveling. Traffic by land and wait time for the roro ship took our time – 10 hours to and from Naujan. The children patiently waited for us, and were so happy to see us. They presented special numbers and our time with them was precious. Before I left for Guam, met with our accountant and auditor. We thank God for a job well done in keeping us accountable. And o yes, I did have time with my family as we celebrated Christmas and New Year together! Thankful to God for these priceless and cherished times!

PHILIPPINES. Pastor Marty, our OIC and Head Pastor had his hands full in December as he travelled to all our churches, preached and spent time with our island pastors and staff. Each church was busy preparing for the Christmas programs and some did their activities early so that there would be more time for family gathering. The PMA Academy had their Christmas party as well and Pastor Marty was the main speaker. He shared about the true meaning of Christmas and why we give. Because the One we serve, worship and believe in – gave the greatest Gift of all – the Gift that gives life eternal - our Lord Jesus Christ!

BAHAY KALINGA ORPHANAGE, NAUJAN, MINDORO. Just this January, **Jeny Gutierrez** (BK Head) informed us that we received 4 children referred to us by the local social

services: all boys -2, 6 and 8 years old and a foundling. All of these children are for adoption. Please pray that all their corresponding paperwork would be complete and that their processing will go smoothly. Pray for godly parents for these children.

PALAU. In Palau we continue with our major maintenance projects on the airplanes, extending them for many more years of future service. Virgil Gottfried, from Samaritans Purse came to Palau and gave us invaluable assistance with managing our aviation ministry, and vision planning. Virg is a missionary aviation expert with his 50+ years' experience and was an incredible help to the ministry and is now back at his home in North Carolina. Jonas Schuh joined our team just before Christmas, for a month internship in Palau then on to Yap. He is an aircraft mechanic from Germany, and is currently attending Bible school. God has placed missions on his heart, and we are privileged to have him help us. In addition to the weekly church services, Bible Studies and prayer meetings, our PMF church in Palau has been restocking the food pantry as we think there will be more difficult financial times for families in Palau this next year. We are not worried because we are trusting God for our provision and our ability to help any in need. By: Brock Welge

YAP, MICRONESIA. As we entered the Christmas season, the borders to the outer islands opened, which brought an influx of passengers wishing to return to their homes after being away for more than 1 year. We also have had many medical evacuations from the outer islands to the main island of Yap which is very rewarding to be involved in. PMA continues to be a lifeline to these outer islands and now has a new responsibility in the region. With United only flying twice a month into Yap, there is a real need for an alternate means of travel into and out of Yap. Since we began connecting Yap and Palau the demand has steadily increased and we now have a weekly connection between the two countries. The new King Airs are perfect for this route and now both countries as well as many foreign travelers are depending on PMA to get them to Yap via Palau. Having our base in Palau with a nice new hangar has been such an asset to this connection. We have a great crew in Palau who help check-in passengers, cargo, load the planes and dispatch us back to Yap very smoothly. From: Amos Collins

POHNPEI, MICRONESIA. For this New Year's Eve, our church leadership decided to have a worship service with communion on Saturday evening and no Sunday service. An odd thought to me at first, turned out to be a very special experience. Before the service we shared food in a potfaith fellowship, and then went to the sanctuary. The special atmosphere came through just after a few songs. Before the sermon, the Pastor invited whoever wanted to come up front and share their heart. It was amazing to see so many sisters and brothers, families share stories from their hearts about what they had experienced with Jesus and sing special songs. It was heartwarming to me how confident and accepted they were in the midst of the church family and that is really what Jesus' church is all about. We are one spiritual family in Jesus Christ our Lord. **~Sabine Musselwhite**

We look forward with excitement with what the Lord has planned for us this New Year. We know that He loves us and will not withhold any good thing from us. Thank you for once again joining us in a journey of faith as you pray and partner with us. We can be assured that He who calls us to this journey is faithful!

In Him we live and move and have our being,

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