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Dear Praying Friends and Faithful Partners,

"When we were utterly helpless with no way to escape, Christ came just at the right time and died for us sinners who had no use for Him... God showed His great love for us by sending Christ to die for us while we were still sinners." Romans 5:6,8

Amazing love!!! That is what comes to mind whenever I read these verses. Indeed, I am overwhelmed by God's love and our Lord Jesus Christ's willingness to present Himself as the sacrificial lamb, dying in our place, paying the penalty of all our sins, when we were still sinners and His enemies. 2 Corinthians 5: 21 says, "God made Him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in Him we might have the righteousness of God." Because of such love, Paul then urges us not to receive God's grace in vain --- and He says: "In the time of my favor I heard you, and in the day of salvation, I helped you. I tell you, now is the time of God's favor, now is the day of salvation." (2 Cor. 6:2) For all of us who know and love Him – this passage urges us to take every opportunity to share God's redeeming love in Christ Jesus. PMA takes this mission seriously, growing in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ, making Him known by: Loving all people – meeting the needs of the total person, body, soul and spirit; building the body of Christ and discipling the faithful.

GUAM. Pacific Mission Aviation mourns the passing of **Michael Lange**, who for more than 25 years served faithfully as PMA Germany's Managing Director. He was an integral part of PMA Germany's life and development. We all truly miss him, however, we are strengthened and comforted that he is now with our Lord Jesus Christ who He loved and served! I for one, still cannot believe it as I had spoken to him Saturday, Guam time and it was his Friday. He was in the best of spirits. He was on his way to see a friend who was celebrating his life as he was diagnosed with a terminal illness. We laughed and reminisced about our founder Edmund Kalau's life as he has been helping me with some of the historical facts of the family! Michael, I can only imagine the wonderful reunion with all your loved ones and friends and of course our Lord Jesus Christ! Till then, we will meet again, dear brother and friend, in that beautiful shore!

PHILIPPINES. We praise and thank God for PMA's scholar, Ruth Genotiva, daughter of our PMF Calutcot Pastor Ed who graduated with a degree of Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education. She will start her teaching internship early March to end May 2024. After she completes this, she will then start serving at PMA's Learning Academy in Patnanungan. While in school, she spent her holidays and vacations in Patnanungan, helping with the Academy as well as serving with PMF church, with the worship team, Sunday school and Vacation Bible school. We are so proud of her and congratulate her. To God be the glory!

BAHAY KALINGA ORPHANAGE, NAUJAN, MINDORO OR. PHILIPPINES. Reina (not her real name) was found beside the main entrance gate of A. Elementary School at around 6:10 AM on January 17, 2024. She was wrapped in a pink towel. The finder reported the baby to the village head who then referred her to MSWDO (Municipal Social Welfare Development Office)

for further assistance. The MSWDO referred Reina to PMA for protection and further case study. Please pray for her document processing and for Reina, that she will grow to be a healthy, happy child in our care. From: **Ann Caspe**

REPUBLIC OF PALAU. Earlier this month, a team from Missionary Maintenance Services (MMS) arrived to help with the needed Queen Air repairs and other maintenance of the planes. They will be staying in Palau for the next two months. Before the month ended, we had another group from Samaritan's Purse (Jay Hibbard and Virgil Gottfried) arrive in Palau to install life support and cargo nets in one of our King Airs that is based in Yap and but on island for a month. It is amazing to see how God extends His mighty hands as He brings people to give us assistance just at the right time! God provides generously so we can also give generously through the different services the Mission has. May He richly bless the works of these hands who travel from afar. We have also connected people to reach their destinations as they fly with us. Imagine 44 people flying Yap-Palau-Yap route, all in just one day! Glory to God for providing us the airplanes, good weather and keeping everyone safe! ~Angelyn de Liña

YAP, MICRONESIA. Part of the "blessing" of having these new King Airs is that our pilots need to take a check ride every 6 months instead of only every year. So, Amos is off to North Carolina this month to take his Instrument Proficiency Check ride and then to Bemidji, Minnesota to renew his Queen Air flight currency. In his absence, Jonathan Paulsen will continue to do the Yap flights in the Queen Air so that there is no interruption of our services. Amos Collins

POHNPEI, MICRONESIA. A faithful member of our church with stage 4 cancer came back to Pohnpei because the doctors in Hawaii could not do anything more for her. Pelma knew that she was a child of God, her salvation was assured. It was hard for her family to see her suffering. In the afternoon, Inoki and I walked into her hospital room, her husband said that she was unresponsive with bodily functions slowing down. The Lord put it in my heart to talk to her only about heaven. "The angels will be escorting you to heaven very soon, Pelma. Jesus will greet you when you arrive. You don't need to be afraid." Unexpectedly she opened her eyes and then moved her arm as I continued: "1,000 years is like one day to God, so we will be joining you very soon. The streets are gold, the tree of life next to the river have a different fruit every month." We sang "In the Sweet By and By" to her and she opened her eyes again as if to say, "I agree, I'm ready." I prayed that the peace of God would guard her heart and mind in Christ Jesus, for her name was written in the Book of Life, never to be erased. A few hours later that same day, she left this earth and went to heaven. What a privilege it is to help those in the last hours of life to be ready for eternity and to look forward to heaven. Sylvia Kalau

We thank God for the many ways we can show and share God's redeeming love to all we serve and minister. We are thankful for your prayers and support and pray that together we can make an impact in the islands for eternity. May the joy of the Resurrected Christ be always your reward! God bless you all!

In Him we live and move and have our being,

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