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Dear Praying Friends and Faithful Partners,

“Therefore, my dear brothers and sisters, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain.” 1 Corinthians 15:58

I just got back from our annual visit to our mission stations in the Philippines. We left Manila at 1 AM to catch a boat to the islands – finally arriving at our destination at 4 PM. At one of our visits to an outreach in Village Apad in the island of Jomalig, I was asked by our senior pastor, Jun Mandreza to share a message of encouragement after his sermon. A group of more than 30 adults and more than 20 children meet in a make-shift worship center under a tarp between two houses. When the worship singing started, one forgets the surroundings and is transported to the very presence of God! The verse I shared was the above verse in our native tongue. They listened intently, as the Word of God encouraged and uplifted them. But you know, all of us who visited them that morning were the ones blessed by their commitment, faithfulness and perseverance! They are giving themselves fully to the work of the Lord! Please pray for this young church for God to enable them to grow and influence their Village for eternity!

PHILIPPINES. This was my first trip to the Philippines together with the PMA team. We visited the remote Eastern islands of Patnanungan and Jomalig. I met the PMF pastors and their wives who ardently pursue their goal of winning their fellow islanders for Christ. Their living conditions are rather simple; some do not have power or running water. They need to walk far for potable water. I walked on muddy paths that swallowed my sandals, through the water to get to the boat and all the while thinking that these brothers and sisters in the Lord do that most every day. They are a source of inspiration in their endurance and confidence that the Lord has called them where they are located. Please pray for their joy in the Lord and also for the health of their families which is often at risk due to the circumstances. - Sabine Musselwhite

BAHAY KALINGA (BK) ORPHANAGE, NAUJAN, MINDORO OR. It was a joy to visit our Orphanage once again. We were met by all the children and our Center Head, Jeny Gutierrez, together with Social Worker Lyn and our caregivers. The children had prepared a dance number which was a delight to all of us! Jeny excitedly shared that we had three children – 3 days old, 3 and 4 months old that were admitted at BK. As of now, they are on temporary shelter status, but with a great possibility for adoption. Please pray for these children that the paperwork for their adoption may be processed without any problems.

REPUBLIC OF PALAU. This last month we were happy to welcome Monena into our team. Her willingness to work, serve, help and get involved is admirable. She’s already pouring herself into different ministries at the church as well. Thank you Monena! As the PMA team is re-organizing itself and slowly getting into the new structure with Markus as their leader, the next change is already approaching. Soon we will be leaving for furlough and Amos from Yap will

take over the responsibilities of the Palau Aviation Team. We want to express our deep gratitude to our PMA Palau team for contributing to a good turn-over, growth and positive team atmosphere. It has been a pleasure working and serving alongside you! A big thank you to all supporters who faithfully invest their time, prayers and money into our lives and ministries. We're definitely stronger together! ~ Prisca Klassen

YAP, MICRONESIA. This past month has had its share of illnesses among staff, but somehow with God's help we can continue on with the work here. Pastor Petrus has been sick for over a month with kidney stones, and was in and out of the hospital for several weeks. He was in a lot of pain, but somehow still was able to make some trips to Ulithi to encourage the believers there. Nob and Matthias came through Yap and were able to accompany him to Ulithi and see the ministry. They then all flew together on the PMA plane to Palau, enroute to the Philippines, where Petrus and his wife Queen sought medical treatment for his kidney stones and some other health issues he has been experiencing. They have been at St. Luke's Hospital in Manila for the past few weeks, and have been encouraged by visits from PMA family, Micronesian and Filipino friends. Please pray for Petrus' complete healing, and for their children, as the separation is undoubtedly hard on them all. While Petrus and Queen have been off-island, Simon and Amos have taken turns preaching at the PMF church in addition to their other regular flying and ministry duties. But a few days ago, Simon Hammerling was hospitalized with kidney stones here in Yap! We are thankful that he is back home now and is feeling much better! We would appreciate your prayers for good health for our team. Thank you! ~ Heidi Collins

POHNPEI, MICRONESIA. We thank God that PMA Germany's Administrator Matthias Keppler was able to visit Micronesia and the Philippines to get acquainted with PMA's work and ministries in the islands. He visited Pohnpei first, where he experienced PMA's unique way of celebrating resurrection Sunday. Then travelled with PMA's CEO, Nob Kalau to Guam, where he met our Board and spent time with Melinda, PMA's CFO/Administrator. Then they both went on to Yap, spent time with our missionaries, flew to the outer-island of Ulithi on PMA's aircraft, with Pastor Petrus and Queen, meeting the small congregation we have there. Then flew on PMA's aircraft to Palau. Again, met our missionaries and workers in the field, flew to Angaur, where PMF church has a ministry and did a scenic flight tour. Then it was on to the Philippines, where he was able to visit our island stations in the Polillo islands, as well as our Orphanage in Naujan, Oriental Mindoro. A space of four and a half weeks – whirlwind travel, meeting PMA mission staff and seeing where they are at, meeting the people they serve! He brought home to Germany blessed experiences, people and places that will always be in his memory. Please pray for wisdom for him as he now has the crucial responsibility in coming up with long and short term goals to raise awareness and support of PMA's work in the islands of Micronesia and the Philippines.

“The God who made the world and everything in it is the Lord of heaven and earth and does not live in temples built by human hands.” Acts 17:24 – And yet, we know that having a church building is important to our believers in the remote Polillo islands in the Philippines. With the influx of many religions there, they pray for a place where they can worship in spirit and in truth. Will you please pray for with us? At the moment, 6 of our outreaches would need a church and parsonage. The Lord is able and we trust that He will provide through the generosity of His people. Thank you dear Partners for your faithful and committed prayer and support! The Lord bless you abundantly!

In Him we live and move and have our being,

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