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Dear Praying Friends and Faithful Partners,

"...being strengthened with all power according to his glorious might so that you may have great endurance and patience, and joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the kingdom of light." Colossians1:11-12

I just got back from Pohnpei where I conducted the annual internal audit and review of operations. Praise God for the smooth review and proper accountability of our operations there. It was good to spend time with our mission staff and with our PMF church members. How great it is to be part of God's wonderful family! The Lord provided me the opportunity to share God's word with the Ladies Bible study group and the Girl's Discipleship. I was led to share about perseverance. Life is indeed tough, and the Word of God informs us that we should not be surprised when we are faced with various trials and challenges – and even Jesus said that, "in this world we will have tribulation" (John 16:33) – yes troubles are a given in this world. However in the same verse, He says – we can have peace in Him because He has overcome the world! He has given us victory – that is why Paul can encourage the Colossians that God has equipped us with power for great endurance and patience. However, we need to remember – without Christ in us, without His strength, we will give up easily and will not be able to persevere. Take heart, when problems come our way – hang in there, TRUST God – Remember who He is and have confidence in His promises!

PATNANUNGAN BAYAN, PHILIPPINES. Mercy Sulad, the Head teacher of our Academy shares: "We have conducted a parents' orientation program, sharing our mission and vision. We have 20 new learners this semester and just in time, we were able to distribute to them shoe boxes donated to us which contained school materials. The rest of the donations were distributed to other children in our PMF church." Please pray for these children that they will learn to know Jesus Christ, and in knowing Him accept Him as Lord and Savior. Pray for the parents that they too will have a living relationship with the Lord. Pray for cell groups among parents where they can learn and grow in their faith.

BAHAY KALINGA ORPHANAGE, NAUJAN, MINDORO, PHILIPPINES. We are thankful for 198 children that we have served to-date at the Orphanage. Pray for those who are with us for temporary shelter that their parents may in time be able to care for them. Pray for those who are available for adoption that the Lord will provide a loving, godly home.

PALAU. Prisca Klassen shares: "A time of transition has started at PMF church Palau and it needs wisdom for everybody to find a healthy balance. We are challenged to push our boundaries, take on new responsibilities or tasks, and be sensitive in engaging needs. It's challenging for all of us in PMA to balance the aviation, church work, our social life and our families. As our weeks get fuller, we are very blessed and experience God's strength and provision. We thank God, are glad and encouraged by all the church people who are taking on new responsibilities and tasks and help out wherever it is needed. Please pray that this new phase will be a huge blessing to the whole church family and that we can grow in our faith, our character, our gifts and our love for one another. Please pray that more and more, people would start serving in various ministries out of a calling from the Lord and their love for Him."

YAP, MICRONESIA. "Every summer Petrus likes to make a trip to visit the outer-islands to encourage the believers, and to lead the kids in a VBS outreach. It is always difficult to plan with the ship schedule being a bit unreliable, but finally the ship departure date was set, they got the VBS team together, bought tickets, food, and packed for the trip. They will be gone from Yap for 20 days but only 7-10 days in Woleai (the rest of the time is spent at sea.) Pray for the airstrip in Woleai to be repaired so we can fly there.

In Aviation, we continue to have a crowded hangar. As we send the last of the donated food items to Ulithi, we fill the voids with donated school furniture which will be going to Ulithi on the ship sometime in August and September. Our crew works hard to disassemble the desks and shelves to make room for 5 containers worth of them in our storage containers and in our hangar. The last of the containers will be offloaded this week. The next step will be to get them out to Ulithi when the school roof has been rebuilt. Pray that all these will be delivered before school opens." By: Amos Collins.

POHNPEI, MICRONESIA. "Praise God for our successful VBS in July. Sylvia directed the 50 volunteers that served the 160 children who came. Once again, our capacity filled up within a week and we had to close registration because we can't handle more children. The Bible point, TRUST GOD was emphasized each day: No matter... who you are... how you feel... what people do... what happens... where you are..... TRUST GOD! The kids got the message and so did the adults! The week after VBS, our staff had the chance to put it all into practice: Getting the Sea Haven ready for its trip to the outer-islands is no small task! Sea Haven will be leaving in August and will be delivering typhoon relief to 6 islands: Puluwat, Tamatam, Pollup, Onari, Ono, and Makur. The crew will then continue on their way to Dry dock in Guam. We also welcomed Jonah Jones, the son of Jeff Jones, PMA Board member, who will be crewing on Sea Haven for this trip. Please pray for good weather, calm seas, good health and a successful dry docking of the Sea Haven. It's such a great assurance to TRUST God for all the details. As we do our best He will do the rest!" ~ Sylvia Kalau

What a great encouragement God's promises have for us – that when we persevere, endure and press on TRUSTING on Him and His Word, never giving up living for Him, being a blessing to others – He qualifies us to share in the inheritance He has prepared for us in His Kingdom. Thank you dear partners ~ your perseverance in praying, supporting and partnering with us gives us great joy and hearts full of thanksgiving to God our Father and our Lord Jesus Christ, His Son! God bless you more!

In Him we live and move and have our being,

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