Dear Praying Friends and Faithful Partners,

Jesus said to them, 'Come away with me. Let us go alone to a quiet place and rest for a while.'

Mark 6:31

What a great reminder for all of us whose lives are marked by busyness and "to do lists". Jesus invites us to come and rest, to spend time with Him ... building an intimate relationship with Him. This allows us to hear His voice and discern His will for our lives. The closer we draw to Him, the more we see His heart for the people around us; and our time with Him enables us to meet needs, serve people by bringing hope and introducing them to the One who can change their lives for eternity.

**Guam.** I have just returned from Pohnpei where I conducted the annual review of operations and internal audit. The review and audit went very well. I am also thankful to God for the time spent with Nob and Sylvia Kalau, who were my hosts, and with all our other mission staff and PMF church members. So thankful for a very fruitful visit. Am thankful for Julie Ann who oversaw the HQ office needs and in constant communication with me while I was gone. Praise God for the availability of Mel Pelayo who took my place in teaching Sunday school!

Before I left for Pohnpei, Sebi Urschitz came through Guam after serving in Palau and Yap for the summer. We thank God for this young man who desires to serve Him full time. In the meantime, he is preparing himself for ministry and for his competency as an aviation mechanic. Please pray for him that the Lord will guide and guard him to accomplish his goals for His glory!

**PHILIPPINES.** Pray for PMF Calutcot and Kilogan. At present, these churches are served by Pastor Jun Tayangona who also serves full-time in Amaga. During the week, he travels to these churches, does visitation, prayer service and Bible studies. We are thankful that for each church, there are core believers who continue the work and who he disciples. His prayer requests are: (1) For the Lord of the Harvest to raise missionary pastors for Calutcot and Kilogan; (2) for safety and protection as he travels by land and sea; (3) for good health, especially for his children; (4) for wisdom, knowledge, strength and grace as he ministers in Amaga, Kilogan and Calutcot.

BAHAY KALINGA ORPHANAGE, NAUJAN, OR. MINDORO, PHILIPPINES. "We praise God for a wonderful bonding time with the children and BK staff. The Lord arranged everything so well: good weather, safe travel, provision for transportation, food and accommodation. Everyone enjoyed the peaceful and calm environment, as well as the icy-cold clear water to swim. Dr. John Escote shared a devotion which blessed us all. Truly, taking time out from the day-to-day routine activities at the Orphanage, renewed and refreshed us all. We also reflected on the beauty of God's creation, His goodness and faithfulness thus far." – Jeny Flores-Gutierrez

**PALAU.** What a privilege to be part of PMA Palau's 20th Anniversary. As we celebrated this special occasion and reflected on the time past, new excitement stirred up. Ed Kalau started this mission with the vision of "bringing hope, changing life" while serving the island people in a holistic way – body, soul and spirit. Today we are challenged to live up to this vision and commit our lives daily for this cause, to love people the way that Christ loves us. For 20 years now different people from all over the globe have devoted their lives, their very best, to reach out to the people of Palau. Thank you all for participating in keeping up the good work God has started and faithfully supplied for the last 20 years. Happy 20th Anniversary PMA/PMF Palau! By: Prisca Klassen

**YAP, MICRONESIA**. The month of July was again a very intense month of flying. We flew 30,000lbs of food, equipment and personal items between Yap, Ulithi and Fais. One of the logistically more challenging flights was a medical evacuation to Palau. The hospital on Yap asked us to fly a patient to Palau for further medical treatment. To accommodate the patient and to make him comfortable for the flight we built a stretcher for that purpose. We are very grateful for the weather and a very reliable airplane in general, but especially on the day of the medevac.

We are excited that we have two new families, Tom and Sesarios household, attending our church service on Sundays. Pastor Petrus, Tom and I have started a prayer meeting on Wednesday morning for the men. We hope to expand that more in the future. Please continue to pray for this. ~ Simon Hammerling

**POHNPEI,** MICRONESIA. I am so thankful for the team of Sunday school teachers and helpers that serve each Sunday. We have a rotating schedule for 5 different age groups and each teacher is very responsible and passionate about teaching the children. Last month, during our VBS week, we had many decisions for Christ. Some children are now following the Lord in baptism. Every Sunday after the worship singing we call all of the children to the front of the church for prayer. 100 - 150 kids are blessed and prayed over and sent off to their classes. Jesus said, "Let the children come to me. Don't stop them! For the Kingdom of Heaven belongs to those who are like these children." Matt 19:14 Pray that the Holy Spirit will continue to draw these children to the Lord and bring spiritual maturity to their lives. From: Sylvia Kalau

We may be tempted to rush through the day – thinking that we need to accomplish so much "for Him". However, if we do all these in our own strength, we will run out of fuel. Spending time with the Lord is of utmost important. As John 15:5 says, "I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing." Someone once said that the kingdom of God is a paradox. While the world applauds achievement, God desires companionship. Our Lord wants us to be "still and know that He is God." He is looking for sons and daughters He can pour His life into, who will change the world through His power! Thank you for your partnership in prayer and support. Your time with the Lord in praying for us is vital and very much appreciated! We thank God for you. God bless you more!

In Him we live and move and have our being,

Melinda R. Espinosa CFO/Administrator