

FEBRUARY 2015

Dear Praying Friends and Faithful Partners,

"Like cold water to a weary soul is good news from a distant land."
Proverbs 25:25

This week, I received two emails from a former Bible school intern – who served with us in PMF Pohnpei during his senior year. After he graduated from Bible school, he chose to serve in the most dangerous place in his homeland where being a Christian would mean his death and his family's as well. Through the years he has been updating us with God's ministry, and his personal life – he now has a family of his own – and when the Lord allows us to meet – we are always greeted with the same radiant smile and joy as when he first served with us. This joy has not dimmed through the years – despite danger, struggles, difficulties and challenges. His letters give me joy and encouragement and challenges me to press on. It also makes me realize that no matter where the Lord places us, if we have the right attitude and the knowledge that God's ways are for our best, and the assurance of His power and presence – we can have joy and peace in our hearts. I thank God for him. Please pray for him (I cannot mention his name and place of service) for God's continued protection, provision and power to share His Word in season and out of season.

GUAM. We thank God for the short visit of Amos and Heidi Collins and children: Tommy, Raina, Honora and Theo. They came through on their way to (for Heidi and children) Tasmania to visit Heidi's parents, especially her Mom who has a rare form of cancer. Please pray for them as a family, that they would enjoy this special time together and make many memories. The kids are loving every minute of being with their grandparents. This is also the first time Theodore has met his grandparents, and he is charming them with his toothy smiles. Amos flew to the Philippines for his brother's wedding and returned to Guam for his flight physical which he passed. The following day on his return to Yap – he flew a charter flight. We thank God for safe travels, protection during flights, good health and strength.

PHILIPPINES. We praise God for His protection over our mission stations in the Polillo islands during Typhoon "Amang". Only two of our mission stations sustained damage: Amaga - roof of the PMF church and Jomalig – total destruction of outdoor dining and kitchen (for church and community outreach). No lives were lost – praise God! The Lord has provided the roofing for the Amaga church – and we are raising funds for Jomalig. The Lord is faithful.

BAHAY KALINGA (**BK**) **ORPHANAGE, NAUJAN, ORIENTAL MINDORO, PHILIPPINES.** Praise God Phase III of Bahay Kalinga complex is complete! This is part of the Surgi-Center and Eye Clinic where patients will be screened. During rainy days – this will double up as drying area for BK laundry. Our staff have planted shrubs, flowering plants and a vegetable garden around the place. Thank you Lord for your provision, for the ability to meet the medical needs of the community and for health and protection of our children and staff.

PALAU. PMA's missionary Pilot/Mechanic, **Markus Klassen**, just arrived in the mission field November 2014, so his first medical evacuation was indeed memorable. More so because of weather challenges. Praise God he was able to land safely in Angaur, pick up the patient, and return to Palau as the rain started pouring heavily. "Perfect timing!", the airport controller said. Yes, indeed, God's perfect timing – our Controller!

YAP, MICRONESIA. Pastor Petrus Haleyalgiy asked for prayer concerning his desire to follow-up the people in the islands of Woleai, Falolop, and Tagailap where he spent three months last summer with the PMA Team, and where 52 people prayed to receive the Lord. It is important to continue with their Bible studies and discipling those who will be able to teach others also. Pray for timing, good weather, availability of the ship and for good health as well.

POHNPEI, MICRONESIA. News from Sylvia Kalau: Do you have a secret addiction that you can't stop? Are there habits in your life that are controlling you? Have you tried to quit, but you keep falling back into the same bad habit? Do you want to be set free, but don't know how to get there? These are the questions that would bring a hurting person to our Conquering Addiction Program. A weekly meeting dedicated to helping one identify and be set free of addictions. We have been praying and preparing for months as leaders for this special program. Now each Wednesday evening our meeting and share groups are in full swing. A number of men and women have come who really need help and want to get free of falling back into the same bad habits. Please pray for this ministry that God's work would be done through God's people so that others can be set free.

So many times, the routine, and the challenges we face each day in the mission field can provide weariness and stress. Hence we are so thankful for God's ever-present help in our daily lives and for the good news we receive from our mission stations in Micronesia, Palau and the Philippines. What the Lord is doing in and through the lives of our missionaries, workers and the people they serve, inspire, refresh and encourage us to press on, not to grow weary in well-doing, knowing our labor is not in vain in the Lord.

We praise God for the PMA family and you dear Partners who continue to stand with us in prayer and support. We are so blessed and we thank God for you!

In Him we live and move and have our being,

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