



JULY 2016

Dear Praying Friends and Faithful Partners,

*"Do not use liberty as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love, serve one another."
Galatians 5:13*

Someone once said; "Freedom does not give us the right to do what we please, but to do what pleases God". Guam is where America's Day begins, so we celebrate America's Independence Day, a day ahead of all the States. We thank God for the Freedom we enjoy - bought by the blood of many, at most unsung heroes. We thank God for them and pray that the sacrifices they made would not be for naught. We also thank God for all the men and women who continue to be in the front lines -- defending our freedoms and placing their lives on the line for our sake. Most of all we thank God for the Freedom we have in Jesus Christ. Our founding fathers fought for our freedom so we can enjoy the freedom to believe in the Only One who can give us True Freedom: "So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed." (John 8:36) "It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery." (Galatians 5:1). It is my prayer that we who are called to true freedom will stand firm and share the most glorious, freeing, wonderful message of True Freedom in Christ!

GUAM. Once again I have been host to families travelling through Guam in June. First, we had the Collins family: Amos, Heidi and children: Tommy, Raina, Honora and Theo, on their way to the Philippines, then to Seattle U.S.A. to visit family, friends and partners for their three-month furlough. A week later, the Christen family: Steven, Rebi and children: Laura, Lia, Lenya and Elio arrived from Yap after their three-month service on their way to Switzerland. I thank God for the time spent with them and praying for their safe trip. In between the visits, Amor Lumawan, former PMA missionary and I held a small VBS with 10 participants. The theme was; "Jesus, Our Friend". We had fun learning about friendship with one another, and especially friendship with God. We thank God that each child prayed to receive the Lord! Pray for their growth and that they would be part of our Sunday school. God is able!

PHILIPPINES – PMF CATMON. Pastor Cesar Foster praises God for His goodness and faithfulness as they celebrated the 5th anniversary of the church. Pastor Jun Tayangona (PMF Amaga Pastor) shared the message: "Test of Faith". It was a joyous occasion and everyone brought food to share for the celebration. Pastor Cesar is also very thankful for the newly installed solar equipment. Now the church and parsonage are well lighted!

BAHAY KALINGA ORPHANAGE, NAUJAN, ORIENTAL MINDORO, PHILIPPINES.

Jeny Flores-Gutierrez, Center Head for our Orphanage reported that JL, our child who was in foster care, will be returned to us. However, because we are not equipped to care for him, we are referring him to another care facility. Please pray that we can find a good place for him where he can grow and be well loved and cared for.

PALAU. Last month, after years of prayer, work, talks and anticipation, we were finally awarded with a lease agreement for our hangar at the Palau airport. What an event! We look forward to this new phase, as we're planning the construction of our new hangar. This will open doors for exciting possibilities and new ways of serving Palau. Speaking of new ways. Pastor Mike Hammond and wife Nadia – have put lots of effort and deep thoughts into re-organizing our church structure. Different ministries that were going on were evaluated and structured in such a way as to unify the church. Responsibilities were shuffled around with the goal to lighten each other's load and to get more people involved. Exciting days here! Please pray for wisdom as we step into this new era. ~ **Prisca Klassen**

YAP, MICRONESIA. June was a busy month with 2 VBS and Youth Retreat. The first VBS was with the outer-island children. Pastor Petrus, together with a small but motivated team planned, prepared and implemented the program. The theme was "Following the Footsteps of Jesus". We had 65 children from ages 4 – 12 having a lot of fun listening to stories of Jesus, doing craft, action songs, with indoor and outdoor games every day. We were so thankful for parents who allowed their children to join. Right after the first VBS, we had a Youth Retreat, participated by four evangelical churches on Yap. We had 50 youth learning who they are in Christ. On the Sunday after the Retreat, all four churches had a combined worship service with the youth sharing what they had learned. Right after the youth retreat – then came the second VBS, planned by the Yap Evangelical Church, with PMF church helping. The theme was "Who we are in Christ". What a great, action-packed month we had! I am so thankful that I could be part of it and be blessed! ~ By: **Sebi Urschitz**

POHNPEI, MICRONESIA. This week we are in full gear preparing for next week's VBS entitled "Gotta Move!" Today I received an email from a family that used to live on Pohnpei. They moved to the Marshall Islands for work and really miss their PMF church family. They wrote: "Wow! I'm excited just hearing about VBS next week. Our children, Angelica and Sam will be coming to Pohnpei this Thursday just for the VBS. Thank you, Nob, Sylvia and the church as a whole, for leading and preparing and making it possible for our young generation to enjoy a week of positive fun and excitement. God is good!" - **Sylvia Kalau**

We are truly thankful that in every island the Lord has allowed us to serve, we have the openness to share about His love and the freedom everyone can have in His Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Please continue to pray for us, that we will take each opportunity to share Jesus. That we would love by honoring and serving those around us; and that we would live a life serving God with heart, head, hands, and habits.

Thank you dear Partners for your prayers, support and faithful partnership. We appreciate you and thank God for you. God bless you more!

In Him we live and move and have our being,

**Melinda R. Espinosa
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