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Dear Praying Friends and Faithful Partners,

"Righteous Father, though the world does not know you, I know you, and they know that you have sent me." John 17:25

We have been going through John 17 in our Zoom Bible Study with the Bahay Kalinga Orphanage Staff in the Philippines. It has been a privilege leading this study from Guam. This portion of Scripture is the real "Lord's Prayer". The "Our Father" Prayer that people call the Lord's prayer is a model of how we should pray, taught to us by Jesus. He could never say "forgive us our trespasses" as He is the sinless Son of God. When Jesus knew He had but a few hours to live and be with His disciples, what did He do? He did not go about doing more public ministry or big campaigns - He prayed for Himself, His disciples, and for all believers. What a great assurance this is for us who believe! We can press on with confidence and strength knowing that Jesus had already prayed for us and continues to intercede for us at the throne of grace!

GUAM. Our fiscal year has just ended, and we continue to praise God for His Presence, Provision and the Power to continue in our daily work and walk with Him. He has provided all the needs of the Mission. The financial position of PMA is even stronger than last year. How grateful we are for our faithful partners, prayer warriors who unswervingly continue to stand behind us and our missionaries so we all can do the task He called us to do. We thank God for them and give God all the glory!

PHILIPPINES. We had a donor provide funds to be used for food distribution to children through our PMF churches (9 of them) and the outlying hamlets. This was well received as our islands have been on lockdown – and so these food packs were a great encouragement to all who received them and showed to them that we cared. Please continue to pray for our Pastors, workers and PMF congregation that the love of Jesus will be manifested in their lives especially during these challenging times.

BAHAY KALINGA ORPHANGE, NAUJAN, OR, MINDORO, PHILIPPINES. There is so much to be thankful for! The children and staff are safe and healthy. The children that are of age to go to school, continue to do module classes (no face-to-face still) and they have done excellently! We have successfully renewed our Department of Social Services registration and license. The Lord is good and worthy to be praised!

REPUBLIC OF PALAU. Stephen Newton, missionary Pilot/mechanic shares: "This year has been full of changes and blessings. As you know, God has sustained our small crew and allowed us to continue serving Palau with the aviation ministry as well as church and Bible study ministries. There has been one change and blessing which far exceeds all the others in my life, second only to the gift of salvation I have received. The Lord has blessed me first with an amazing workmate, who then became my girlfriend last year. In June, I proposed, and on July 17th we were married. I first met Monet when I arrived in Palau at the end of May in 2018. Since then, we have grown close and have faced and overcome, by God's strength and provision, many challenges as workmates. On July17, we committed our lives to each other, and I look forward to our future and pray that God will continue to use us for His kingdom however He chooses." Please pray for Stephen and Monet as they begin their journey as a couple for the Lord Jesus to be always the center of their relationship, and that they would be a blessing to their Team mates and the people they serve.

YAP, MICRONESIA. We thank God for the ministry of Bruce and Noelyn this summer as they ministered in the island of Woleai: "All credit to our Heavenly Father for His wisdom and leading of His Holy Spirit. He enabled us to establish our core group and we are meeting every Sunday. The ladies have started Bible studies with Noelyn leading. She also is training one lady to teach Sunday school. Our main focus was that each member of the group understands what it means to be saved and that they will have a desire to continue to read and study the Word of God and that they would be rooted and grounded in God's Truth." Please pray for their spiritual growth and maturity and the ability to share the Gospel with others as well.

POHNPEI, MICRONESIA. Covid continues to keep our islands in lockdown. Coming into the FSM requires 7 days of quarantine in Guam, 7 days in the FSM, and longer for the unvaccinated. One also needs preauthorized permission and approval just to enter. Therefore, the need for inter-island travel is in high demand. Last week PMA chief pilot, Amos, flew a charter into Pohnpei transporting members of the Dept. of Education. While on the ground in Pohnpei, the President of the FSM, David Panuelo, came for a tour of the King Air. The President also made reservations to charter the plane to Yap. Just yesterday Amos flew 1200 miles again to Pohnpei to transport the Health Assessment Team inspecting the Covid preparations in the islands. Besides the high demand for charters, Amos still has his regular flight schedules to the outer islands of Yap. We are so thankful for the visits made possible by the newly donated King Airs. Nob and Amos can plan and discuss ministry needs in real time rather than virtual and I get to see a fellow missionary that lives 1200 miles away! Can you bring Heidi and the kids next time? ~ Sylvia Kalau

We thank God for the example and ministry of our Lord Jesus as He made time and spent time in prayer. Prayer is the Christian's lifeline to God, and with it lives are changed for eternity! This is our experience in PMA and we move forward on our knees. Thank you and God bless you dear Partners your prayers and support continue to be an encouragement and blessing to us all in PMA!

In Him we live and move and have our being,

Melinda R. Espinosa, CFO/Administrator