

## the **BOYLSTONS** MISSIONARIES TO THE ISLAND OF POHNPEI

With Catholicism being very prominent here, Easter and Lent are big deals. It is not uncommon for even some people from the Baptist churches to fall to pressure from families and attend the Catholic services during that time. Thankfully, we saw little difference in our attendance on Resurrection Day. We did have a sunrise service and a meal on the grounds after the morning service followed by a time of singing and testimonies. We praise God for good time of food, fun, and fellowship shared with fellow believers in the Lord.

Since the Baptist Bible Institute of Pohnpei is winding up for the year, I wanted to take time to share some things about it, and ask that you pray specifically for it. The students have ranged in number from 16 to 54 since its inception. Sometimes students have to drop out for personal or spiritual reasons, but for the most part we have seen the numbers drop for lack of funds. The institute only charges \$40 a year, broken down into \$20 a semester or \$5 per course block. However, since the average wage is only around \$1.50 an hour, this can be quite hard on many, especially families that have multiple students. In addition, in most cases several families share a home and expenses while only a few may actually even have jobs. Having enough money to buy gas to go to church is sometimes even a problem people have to deal with here. So, the added expense of the institute can be quite daunting for many and some have had to sit out a course block here and there because of lack of funds. I wanted to request from you that you pray and see if God would lay on your heart to support some of these students in their study. Forty dollars a year would pay all their expenses and would allow people who desire a deeper study about God an opportunity to do so consistently.

It is hard to believe that we have been here a year already, but we praise God for what He has done during that time. Our language study is progressing, but church responsibilities have taken time away from that study. Pastor Rickson will be returning June 12<sup>th</sup> from his furlough, so we hope to then be able to concentrate more fully on the language. Thank you, again for faithfully supporting us and making it possible for us to be here.







## Praise

\* God's faithfulness

\* Opportunities to preach and teach in chapel \* Opportunity to distribute hundreds of tracts to the students from the public high school

\* Encouragement from church-wide picnic

Our Address P.O. BOX K-3223 Pohnpei, FM 96941 \* Our supporting churches, especially those that need pastors

Prayer

\* Increased ability to hear and speak the Pohnpeian language

\* Ambassador Baptist Church and Bible Institute\* Preparation for summer outreach ministries

\* Safety for the Kihlengs' return trip to Pohnpei

WWNTBM P.O. Box 725 Kings Mountain, NC 28026

Maranatha Baptist Church 413 Polkville Rd. Shelby, NC 28150