

the **DYLSTON** MISSIONARIES TO THE ISLAND OF POHNPEI

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As we have mentioned before, camp and VBS are huge outreaches on the island of Pohnpei because they offer activities to kids who are looking for something to do. VBS is coming up in a week, so we would appreciate your prayers for that. Especially pray for the last day when the parents are encouraged to come and the gospel is preached. Each year the Lord has blessed, and there have been professions of faith. We are praying to see continued evidence of transformed lives.

This was the first year our oldest daughter Kierra attended camp. Christa also was able to go for a couple of the days this year and help out. We praise the Lord for



what He did. Many decisions were made, and people accepted the Lord. Safety is always a concern since the camp takes place out on a coral island. There are always some scrapes, bumps, and bruises; but this year we had an incident take place which could have been serious. A boy fell and scraped his knee. Although it was minor, the injury was treated and he was encouraged to sit out for some of the more extreme activities. Surprisingly, after camp his parents

threatened to sue. We had encouraged implementing permission/waiver forms, but, at the time, it was deemed unnecessary. In the future, permission forms will be a requirement to prevent similar incidents. At all times, "Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised; and his greatness is unsearchable." (Psalm 145:3), however, we especially praise Him that He prevented something that could have been serious from happening. Thankfully, the threat of suing has not develop into anything.

Camp was cut short by a day due to the death of Pastor Isamo Welles, the founder of Calvary Baptist Church, the first Baptist church on Pohnpei. His life and testimony impacted many people and he will be greatly missed.

When preparing the last shipment of supplies for Nukuoro we were denied permission to send the barrels of gasoline because someone had reserved over half of the allowance to be sent on the ship. Having gasoline is very important because it not only is used for the boat and generator, but also is used as gifts and for trading. Communication between the islands is another hurdle being undependable at best. After many failed attempts, we ended up getting a last-minute message of some other things that were needed to be sent down this trip. While getting the new items added to the bill of lading, the need to send gasoline was again brought up. Praise the Lord we were given permission because the reserved allowance had never been paid. We told them that we had been praying that God would intervene. The fact that He did gave an ample opportunity to give Him glory in the presence of everyone * The Peelers arrived safely back there.

At the beginning of this year we passed out Bible reading charts to encourage people to read through the entire Bible in one year. We were encouraged when a man showed his copy ragged from use and asked for another copy. He had almost completely finished the entire Bible. We were encouraged by his excitement and diligence to read God's Word.

Praise and Prayer

- * Thank you to those that sent birthday cards for Khloe, John, and Kyle.
- * Praise for a nice Mother's Day lunch with the ladies of Ambassador Baptist Church.
- * Thank you for praying for Christa's cellulitis and her and Khloe's skin ulcers. We are thankful for God's healing.
- * We praise the Lord that in May the Baptist Bible Institute of Pohnpei was able to have its second graduation. We are thankful for this sweet, faithful Christian young lady who diligently fulfilled the requirements for scholarship and graduation.



- * Kody graduated from high school and Kierra graduated from eighth grade.
- * With God's help, Kyle finished his first year at Ambassador Baptist College with good grades, his bill paid, and a job for the summer.
- on Pohnpei from Nukuoro. Please keep them in prayer as they go on furlough and the Ezekias' as they continue the ministry in Nukuoro.
- * Please continue to pray for our health.

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