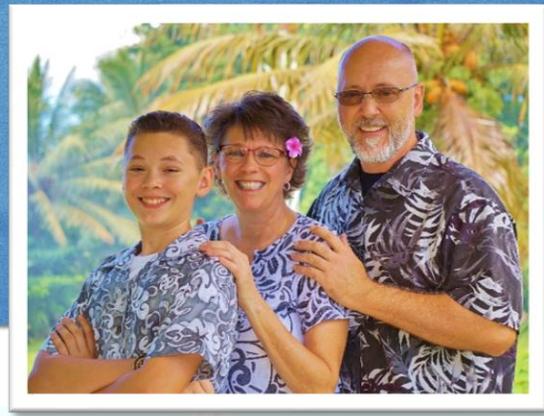


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Fall 2024

Dear Family and Friends,

With the fall season drawing to a close and Christmas fast approaching, we pause to give thanks for God's unspeakable gift. Some two thousand years ago, angels appeared to a group of lowly shepherds, telling them of the Messiah's arrival. After seeing the Christ child with their own eyes, the shepherds then "made known abroad" the wonderful news of Jesus' birth. Today, we rejoice to continue spreading "abroad" the good news of Christ's coming and imminent return, here in Micronesia.

September was a very busy month with station renovations and ministry outreach. The Pastor of the Capitol Hill Baptist Church, Pastor Sonny Paddock, traveled off island for medical treatment and asked me to help fill the pulpit several times. What an honor it was to preach to the dear sweet folks there in the capitol of Palikir. Later in the month I had the privilege of traveling to the island of Nahlap for a student retreat. There, under the light of the harvest moon, I preached to an amazing group of highschoolers from the Calvary Christian Academy. After the service, a young man came to me with questions about salvation. After sharing the Gospel with him, Cameron prayed to receive Christ as Savior! Shortly afterwards a young lady approached with questions concerning assurance of salvation. I took her through several passages on salvation and after praying, she received assurance. By this time, it was getting very late, and I could feel the rigors of the day catching up with me when suddenly another young lady came and asked, "what does it mean to be saved?" "What a great question," I said! Once again, the Scriptures were opened and after some sharing and explaining, the young lady prayed to receive Christ as her Savior, praise the Lord! I thank God for the privilege of sharing the truth of His Word with these precious young people and seeing it take root in their hearts. Please pray for these teenagers as they seek to grow in their new-found faith.

In October, I was contacted by one of our youth from an outreach ministry we conducted years ago, in Ipwal Sokehs. I was overjoyed when I read his text, "do U still do baptize?" As a boy, Nelson had trusted Christ as his Savior but had never been baptized. After meeting with him to discuss his testimony of salvation and the meaning of baptism, I consulted with our local church Pastor, William Joel. He set a date for the baptism and then shocked me when he asked if I would do the honors! On the morning of the baptism, Nelson was there with his grandparents and his sister Angel. It was only then that I found out that Angel also wanted to be baptized. When I asked for her testimony of salvation, she reminded me that we had led her to the Lord many years before! God is so good! After the church service, we all went down to the ocean and there I had the honor of baptizing both Nelson and his sister Angel. What an amazing day! Please pray for them as they seek to live for the Lord.

Station repairs continue slowly as inclement weather, out-of-stock materials, and a lack of manpower all work to hinder progress. This fall, forecasters have declared that we are in a La Nina event with wetter than normal conditions. This of course makes working on the tin roof difficult and dangerous. The past week has been especially wet with 14" of rain in only three days! Unfortunately, this caused flooding in the yard, resulting in water entering the downstairs tool room, bathroom and transmitter room. The ditches around the station are cleaned out, but the diluvian rains overwhelmed their capacity. Thankfully our transmitter was not damaged, but getting the transmitter room dried out is proving difficult. Please pray that dryer conditions would prevail in the coming months. In August, after our first order of roofing arrived, I went back to order the remainder only to find that it had already sold out! They assured me that another shipment would arrive before the end of September, but it didn't show up until early November! As soon as they had it off the ship, I put in my order for the rest of the roofing needed. With the main roof nearly finished, I will be shifting my focus to doing the finish work on the interior.

I am excited to be flying out next week to spend Christmas in the US with my family. Please pray for safe travels and good health as I adjust to the frigid weather back home. Thank you again for your faithful support and fervent prayer. May the Lord bless you all with a very Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year.

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Praise the Lord for the honor of baptizing two teens, Nelson and his sister Angel!



With new roofing on most of the main structure, we thank all those who gave to make it happen.



Preaching at the student leadership retreat on the island of Nahlap, where several teens trusted Christ!

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