

the EIBEN FAMILY

Missionaries to Pohnpei, Micronesia

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Broadcasting the Good News in the regions beyond



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Easter Update 2025

Dear Family and Friends,

Praise the Lord, the tomb is empty! With the Easter holiday having just passed, we pause to give thanks for the resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. His sacrifice on Calvary purchased our redemption and His resurrection gives us hope eternal. What an honor it is to teach and preach this wonderful truth to the beautiful people of Micronesia. The past several months have been a whirlwind of activity and we are delighted to share with you what the Lord has been doing.

After returning to the island of Pohnpei in late January, I settled in and jumped back into working on the station renovations while assisting the Calvary Baptist Church of Kolonia with the logistical preparations for an upcoming Medical Missions Outreach as well as advising on the Calvary Christian Academy's (CCA) gymnasium building project. In 2024, the Japanese embassy to the FSM awarded a substantial grant to the school, allowing ground to be broken on a full-size gymnasium. To date, a 60' by 110' cement pad has been poured at the school campus which is currently being enjoyed by the students for basketball, volleyball and other activities. With funding for the remainder of the project still pending, we have been meeting regularly with local officials, embassy staff, and community stakeholders to move towards the successful completion of the CCA gymnasium. Please pray that the interested parties will solidify their commitment to fund the remainder of the project.

I have also been working closely with National Pastor William Joel and his assistant Koden Labehn with the coordination of a Medical Missions Outreach scheduled for the end of May. A team of over 20 Doctors and Nurses will come to Pohnpei to offer their services to the community, allowing our Baptist churches to share the Gospel with patients who would not normally darken our doors. I have had the honor of meeting both the FSM Secretary of Health as well as the Pohnpei Director of Public Health, sharing with them the churches' desire to be a blessing to the community by hosting this outreach while seeking to introduce folks to the Great Physician. Please pray that all the state and federal requirements would be met so as not to hinder the outreach, for volunteers to provide spiritual counsel, and for souls to be saved as a result.

Along with this, I had the privilege of filling in for Pastor Joel in the Sunday morning English speaking services while he was off island having knee replacement surgery in the Philippines. During one of the worship services, we had the students from the Majuro Baptist Christian Academy visiting for their Senior trip. After the service, one of the teens asked me a thought-provoking question. He said, "what does it feel like to be saved?" "What a great question," I replied. We sat down and I shared with him God's simple plan of salvation. After thorough counsel, he prayed to receive Christ as his Savior, praise the Lord! Please pray for Thad as he grows in his new-found faith and for Pastor Joel as he recovers from his knee surgery.

Slowly but surely, progress continues at the radio station. The rotten termite eaten ceiling in Benjamin's room has been completely replaced while the walls have been stripped, disinfected and repainted with a mold killing paint. The damaged floor has been completely scraped up tile by tile and now requires the final prepping before I put down the new flooring. With the backing of a very generous anonymous donation, demo work has begun on the kitchen with the ceiling needing a total replacement. Outside, deep mud around the station had prevented the erecting of scaffolding for working on the fascia boards, gutters and overhangs. I have since scraped the entire parking area and have brought in seven truck loads of crushed rock. What was once a dreary mud pit is now a very professional-looking parking area that is far more functional than before. While much work remains to be done, I hope that the pictures will give some indication of the progress that has been made.

We are excited to announce that our son Benjamin has completed high school through the A-Beka Academy and will be awarded his diploma on May 17th at the Pensacola Christian College in Pensacola, Florida. I just arrived back in the USA earlier this week, joining my family to celebrate Benjamin's momentous achievement. We are also honored to share that Ben has enlisted in the US Navy with a great desire to serve God and Country. With all the travel and transition going on in our lives, we certainly covet your prayers. We can't begin to thank you enough for your fervent prayer and faithful support.

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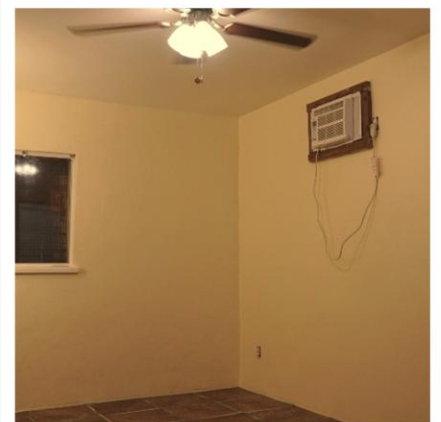
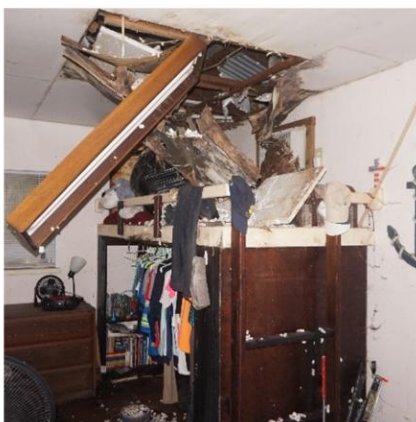
Preaching to the MBCA class of 2025'



Radio Station prior to Renovations.



Progress! The Baptist Radio with a new roof & driveway resurfaced.



Benjamin's room before, during, and after renovations!

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