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Dear praying friends,

Once again, we pause to say to those of you who are holding the lifeline, thank you for allowing us to be your messenger here on the island of Guam. The weeks and months seem to pass so rapidly that it is difficult to realize that it is time for another report. Maybe it is just old age.

The Lord has been mightily blessing in the work and in the recovery from the storms we mentioned in the past letter. He not only helped us to recover, but has sent more storms up north of us and out to sea. He has provided for some construction work at the church and to help some of our folks through very difficult times.

The Lord has also blessed in sending us some new folks in the church and we are still seeing **new faces** come. Our children's group is growing and has about tripled in size since our last report. One lady that had visited several times approached one of our ladies after a morning service and indicated that she wanted to be saved. She was shown in the Bible how to be saved and she trusted Lord for salvation. On another recent Sunday morning a man who had attended for some time and even made a profession of faith years ago indicated that he was not sure of his salvation. We made a visit to his home on the next day and he also asked the Lord to save him. He is now going through a discipleship study with us and attending the services regularly. Last Saturday, our church-wide visitation day, one of the men and I went to visit a lady that we had visited many times and she asked the Lord to save her after hearing the Gospel one more time. Praise the Lord for His manifold blessings!

Besides the individual that we are studying with on a weekly basis, we have a discipleship class at the church weekly. There are three dear folks participating in that study.

We are planning and working toward starting a mid-week children's program. The workers are ready to start and we will order the material in a few days. We pray that it will not only help our children, but also bring in more families to the work.

Our last letter reported to you that we were investigating some land for the church to build on. It is moving seemingly ever so slowly, but we are still in the process. The man that we worked with in the beginning is no longer involved, so the possibility is not as good for donation, but still in our prayers. The land is still for sale. Please pray with us concerning this very important need. We really need to relocate. The building that we have been in for about 11 or 12 years seems to get smaller and smaller. Besides our need of space the termites are about to evict US.

Our process of organization of the church is still in progress also. The constitution was unanimously adopted a few weeks ago and we are now in the process of electing officers. Please pray with us as we begin the process of taking it through the government agencies.

I am sad to report that a lady that Doris and I had witnessed to many times over five or six years went into eternity last week and to our knowledge she had not been saved. What a price to pay to be loyal to a false religion!

Please pray with us as we try to keep pace with all the work. We praise the Lord for the blessings and for giving us health to keep going at the schedule that we now have. The old body gets weary, but the Lord sure does know how to refresh not only the body, but also the soul. Pray with us also as we help folks through their problems that we will have the wisdom and power to lead the right way.

Thank you each for your faithful prayer and support. We realize more and more how dependent we are on God's servants that send us for prayer and for the material support. We also pray for you.

Because of Christ,

Elwood and Doris Hurst

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