

THE HURSTS ~~~~~ MICRONESIA
WORLD WIDE NEW TESTAMENT BAPTIST MISSIONS

Mission address:
P. O. Box 725, Kings Mountain NC 28086
Phone (704) 730-1440 (mission office)
Fax (704) 730-1479 (mission office)

Home address:
P. O. Box 7015
Agat, Guam 96928
Home Phone (671) 565-9889
Email: edguamlbc@kuentos.guam.net

July 2003

Dear praying friends and co-laborers,

Greetings from the little dot in the Pacific where "America's day begins".

As the old proverb goes, "time flies when you are having fun". I don't know about the fun all the time, but we sure have been enjoying the Lord's blessings, and as you look at the date the time has too.

Since our last letter the Lord sure has been manifesting His power and strength. He has sent in laborers to the harvest, He has moved us a little closer to the goal of autonomous status, He has moved us a little further in the process of getting a building and He has kept this old missionary alive and still going in the process. Praise His dear name! We will share some of these blessings with you:

1. Our Lord has saved some souls and nine folks have been baptized. Six of these were from two families from the island of Pohnpei. These all continue faithful to the services and some are still being disciplined. Some already are serving.
2. He has added another family to the work by transfer from Germany (Air Force).
3. We have lost only one family through transfers this summer. Some have gone for vacation, but will return to us soon.
4. The Lord is blessing in the children's ministry and the ladies Bible study ministry.
5. The Lord has been blessing with the building plans and funds. Lighthouse Baptist Church now holds a clear deed to the land that we purchased in December. At the time that the land was purchased we spent all but about \$1,600.00 of the building fund. Since that time the building fund is back up to \$26,000.00. Some of this has come through friends of the church, some from our churches and some from our folks giving sacrificially. We now have all of the property cleared. We are seeking an architect now to make a set of plans for the building. That will allow us to proceed with the conditional use permit (zoning). So far, all of the work that has been done has been paid for, including survey, clearing and materials. We have also purchased some equipment to keep the property maintained FOR ALL THIS WE PRAISE THE LORD AND GIVE HIM ALL THE GLORY!

WE NEED YOUR CONTINUED PRAYER AND SUPPORT

WE NEED DESPERATELY to have the building as soon as possible. The one that we are in now is a constant maintenance project. Termites are throughout and the space is used up. It is sometimes interesting to see the parking on Sunday mornings. A few Sundays ago I asked a man not to leave until I spoke with him. He answered, "Don't worry, I can't get out". I know that is a good problem to have, but we do need to deal with it so we can continue to grow. **Please pray with us about this urgent need.**

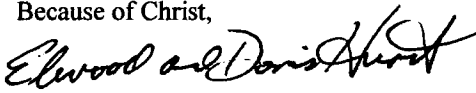
If you could help, arrangements have been made with our mission to receive and transfer any gift directly to Lighthouse Baptist Church designated as Lighthouse Baptist Church "building fund".

Please continue to pray with us for more souls to be saved and for this missionary to have the discernment and strength to do our Lord's perfect will. This is a very critical stage of growth of this work. We need our Lord's power more than ever. We certainly do not want to get in the way of His work.

WE THANK YOU!!

For allowing us to be co-laborers with you here on Guam.
For your faithful support in prayer and financially.
For your faithful service in your vineyard.
For standing for the old-time faith "once delivered to the saints".

Because of Christ,


Elwood and Doris Hurst