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Dear Lifeline holders,

It is a blessing once again to have the privilege of reporting to you from the island of Guam, where America's day begins.

Once again we are delinquent in this report. Please forgive us for that. It seems that we let time slip past in the busy schedule and before we know it this important responsibility is lacking.

THE CHURCH

The Lord has been mightily blessing in the work. There have been some folks that have joined with Lighthouse in the work of reaching the folks of Guam for Christ. There are also some new faces visiting on a regular basis. There have been some souls saved. In the past few days the Lord has blessed with three professions of faith. The baptismal waters (the Philippine Sea) have been stirred with those who followed the Lord in believer's baptism. We are now in the process of door-to-door visitation in a village that we have not been before. It is north of us but in a reasonable driving distance of Lighthouse. Please pray the Lord to prepare the hearts of these dear folks that they would see through the religious error to the truth.

For a long time we have said that if everybody shows up a one time there would not be enough space in the little building where we are. Two Sundays ago it happened. We had a special service in the evening with the island students singing and preaching. We estimated about ninety folks were in the building. Sure enough, some had to stand in the front room and could not get into the auditorium. We were not only blessed with the unique, heart-felt island singing, but also a testimony from a young man from Bangladesh gave his testimony of salvation. What a blessing to hear someone named Muhammad testify and proclaim Jesus Christ.

THE BUILDING PROJECT:

The Lord has led us to a large construction company that seems interested in helping a little church with little capital in getting into a concrete building. There is an architect now working on some preliminary plans within this company. We have a topographical survey now in progress. We are consulting with a civil engineer concerning drainage requirements, soil conditions and requirements for building and sewer needs. When we get the plans we will also be able to begin dealing with the zoning needs. It seems that every way we turn there is another step that must be taken, but we thank the Lord that He sees us through each one. Our Lord has also been blessing in adding to the building fund. As of this first week of November we are at just over \$32,000.00 in the building fund. We have been able so far to take care of the surveys, etc. from the general fund and let the building fund grow. We are so very thankful to the Lord and to those of you and our folks who have made this possible. If you would want to have a part in helping us reach these folks for the Lord by having the space and facilities we need, arrangements have been made with the mission office to handle the funds. It would be greatly appreciated and used for the glory of the Lord. The basic plans that we have are a simple building but we think would be adequate for now. Just the shell of the building with our folks helping on the labor will cost about \$179.000.00. That sounds like a large figure, but it is about \$20,000.00 to \$30,000.00 below what we were quoted elsewhere. We believe the Lord will provide for His work.

THANK YOU

Thank you, sincerely, for allowing us to be your missionary to reach the folks of Guam. Thank you for entrusting us with your hard-earned money and you hours in prayer that we can labor here. Thank you for your vision and burden for the fields that are white unto harvest.

Because of Christ,

Elwood and Doris Hurst