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Dear lifeline holders,

Once again we greet you from the little dot that separates the Pacific Ocean from the Philippine Sea.

We want to thank you again for all of the cards and the gifts for the Christmas time. This Christmas was a time of mixed emotions. We had a great time at Lighthouse observing our Lord's birth, but we were missing some familiar faces from recent transfers. Since that time we have lost even more. We know that these folks will eventually have to move on when they come, but it is never easy to see them leave. It is a blessing to hear that one of the families that was saved here on Guam and called to preach under the ministry of Lighthouse is now helping to fill in for a pastor in the mainland and his wife is teaching a ladies Bible class. The Lord still has blessed with some precious folks that keep on laboring.

There are now three folks that have requested baptism and we have plans to go through some discipleship with them to make sure that they are sound in doctrine. Please pray with us that there will be more laborers to come into the Lord's harvest.

The couple that we reported to you that was saved in our last letter is still showing good evidence that they got real saving grace. It is sure a blessing to see the Lord change lives to conform to His desires and His image. It is also good to see them reach out zealously to family members for the Lord.

Please pray with us also for a bit of a time set back on the building process. The approval that we were given from EPA verbally was changed and we had to do more survey work and have been waiting now for at least three weeks for another letter to confirm the second verbal clearance. Sometimes it seems like we are the only ones that are in a hurry to get a building up.

The Lord blessed us with a visit by one of our supported missionaries. It was a tremendous blessing to see the Lord work out the details. First, they had enough mileage built up to fly a family of ten from Singapore to Guam and back. The lodging worked out well too. One of the families of the church allowed Doris and I to stay with them and we turned our house over to the missionary family. The Lord always provides. Praise His dear name!

God bless you as you faithfully serve Him.

Prayer requests:

Souls to be saved and laborers to come into the harvest Progress in the building plans and resources to see them through Strength to keep on the battlefield for the Lord Two ladies who have serious sickness-one here on Guam and one now in the mainland

Thank you for the blessing and privilege of serving with you here on Guam. We pray for you also. Because of Christ,

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