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Dear co-laborers and friends,

We greet you once again from the little island of Guam where 150,000 souls who need the Lord Jesus Christ live.

BLESSINGS:

Once again your support and prayers have provided the opportunity for the gospel to reach some souls for God's glory. **A year or so ago we had the opportunity** to witness to a man while doing door-to-door visitation. He made a profession of faith, but showed little fruit afterwards. A few months ago I received a call from a family member stating that this man wanted to see me in the hospital. We found a man that was in his 40's with very serious illnesses. During the following visits he made things right with God. He is now with his Lord and no more sickness. **Recently**, one of our folks who was recently saved told of a relative who was in very serious condition in the hospital. Since he had been in a false religion all his life we anticipated a long, challenging witness to reach him for Jesus Christ. On about the third visit, witnessing to him about salvation, he called on the Lord Jesus to save him. Though he seemed to be improving somewhat physically, he died one week later. This has opened the door to some of the other members of the family. **Recently**, while on our church-wide visitation in the village of Agat, we came to a home where a man, Mr. Lee, was a bed-ridden patient and cared for by his wife and some folks that help her. This man had been Buddhist and knew nothing about Bible salvation since his wife was also in a false religion. We explained clearly the simple plan of salvation and he trusted the Lord as his Savior. Please pray for the wife to be saved. We praise the Lord and give Him glory for sending the gospel to these folks before it was too late.

The Lord has blessed with some help. Another missionary from another fundamental Baptist mission family has been here about two months. This family is called to serve on Guam and is working with us until they are familiar with the island and know exactly where the Lord wants them work here on the island. They have been a tremendous blessing to us.

BELIEVERS: God has blessed us with some precious folks to labor with here. We have folks that are always there to do what is necessary from visiting, witnessing, maintenance work and just being a Christian friend. How we praise God for them all. Please pray for them as they face the onslaughts of satan in their daily lives. I thank God for the faithful men that meet daily at the 7:00 A.M. for prayer. What a blessed time!

BUILDING: We raise and thank God for His progress in making ready the bureaucratic issues of building. We also praise Him for the generous gifts that have been given both by the folks here on Guam and folks there. Our folks and I am sure that many of you have prayed with us that the Lord would provide and give us wisdom to use His provisions. The stringent building codes here require a more expensive building than would suffice us and raises the cost a great deal. Typhoons with winds up to and beyond the super typhoon category and earthquakes that have been up to 8.1 in 1993 require additional steel and concrete. Frame buildings are quickly enjoyed by hungry termites. So, we are now faced with a gap between our need and what we have saved and can borrow still leave us short. We have property that can be used as collateral, but we do not want to go so deep in debt that the ministry of the church would be hindered. We are now seeking the Lord's will and wisdom in how to accomplish His will in this building. **PLEASE PRAY WITH US THAT WE CAN SEE THIS MUCH NEEDED PROJECT MOVE ON TO COMPLETION!**

Again, thank you for your prayers and for your support. Thank you for the blessing of serving with you here on Guam. We are also praying for you folks.

Because of Christ,

Elwood and Doris Hurst