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Dear friends and lifeline holders,

From Guam we send you greetings in the precious name of Jesus Christ. It is our prayer that you are enjoying the very best of our Lord's blessings.

Please forgive the delinquency of this letter. I know we all have 24 hours every day and it is a matter of putting the most important things first. Please pray for us that we can get the right things to fit in those 24 hours. It seems at this age that they go mighty fast. We have had a lot going on here and sometimes the weeks and months slip by before we realize it.

The Lord is still blessing and is in His time sending in some new faces and blessing with His presence in the services in the church. There are more military beginning to show up and one of the police officers asked to preach for me one evening. He delivered a good message. He has also offered to help get us on base to pick up some folks for the church services. There is a Navy SeaBees' base almost in sight of the church and these folks are usually here only 6 months and do not have transportation. There are also some single regular Navy folks that will need transportation. Have talked to a chaplain and he has offered to post flyers in certain places to advertise our church. Please pray with us that we can be a help and a blessing to these folks that defend our liberty and many of whom need the Lord. The military is a very important part of our ministry. There are some that are going through some difficult times. One lady last week informed me that her friend who is in Afghanistan lost a friend in combat. We now have eight or nine families, some single, some married with children attending on a fairly regular basis. A new couple were in the service last Sunday.

The Lord is also blessing with some new visitors from the local community. In the last two weeks we have had a new family from the island of Chuuk and there is a lady and her daughter who are regularly attend the services. The mother has expressed interest in becoming a member and we have talked to her about our convictions. They are off island now on vacation. We anticipate her requesting that member ship upon her return. Please pray for the daughter. The extended family and her dad are pressuring her toward the Catholic Church.

Our ministry at the Department of Youth Affairs is continuing to be a blessing. Recently, we were blessed to have six young people to participate on the usual Monday night Bible study. At the end of the study we took some time to deal individually with them. There were three boys and three girls. All six indicated that they wanted to be saved. One of our young guys who is home from college for the summer dealt with the three boys and I with the girls. All six professed faith in Jesus Christ as Savior. The ones who are still there have continued with us in the weekly studies and seem to be growing.

There is a couple that has recently been married that occasionally attend the church. The lady professed to be saved and the husband is from Catholic background, though not active. He expressed a concern for his salvation on a Sunday morning. Since he could not stay at that time I made an appointment to visit their home and he poured out his heart to the Lord and asked Him to save his soul. We are now planning a discipleship time with both of them and also planning for baptism. To God be the glory!!

The Lord has blessed us with a nice 15 passenger van to use as a tool to bring Navy folks and local folks who have no transportation to church. We pray the Lord to use it mightily to bring souls to Himself.

PRAYER REQUESTS:

Pray for a genuine God-sent, Holy Ghost revival in our church and on this island and for souls to be saved.

Pray for the Lord to stop a bill in our legislature that proposes "civil unions"-a thinly veiled attempt to approve homosexual marriage.

Pray that the landfill issue, which is now dormant, will remain so.

Pray for our military for safety and for their families. We have two friends from Guam who are in Afghanistan now.

Pray for the Quinlan family on deputation-now at 48% of support level.

Pray for our Vacation Bible School-August 3-7

Thank you all for the blessing of serving with you and for your faithful holding of the lifeline.

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