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Dear Family and Precious Lifeline Holders,

From the beautiful island of Guam, we send you greetings once again. Though it is dry and very hot here now, it is still very beautiful. It is a great place to call home.

We thank God for His blessings on this small work. I thank Him also that He does not require size to recognize His work and His people. Jesus Christ is still working in this village of spiritual darkness. He still provides us opportunities to give folks His Word and some seem to be interested. It is a blessing to see most of the folks begin to recognize that this work is here to stay. At first, it was as if a person from another planet had invaded "our village." One man walked about one half of a mile to keep folks from seeing his vehicle here. Now, sometimes the yard looks like a parking lot, which it is.

Some of the folks that have been saved have shown some evidence of spiritual growth. It is a blessing to hear them talk about the difference between where they used to be and where they are now. They also shake their heads at what the past religion is doing. To **GOD** be the glory.

We thank God that His timing is perfect. In our most recent letters, we have been sharing with you how Doris' condition was improving. It was of the Lord's mercy and blessing that through prayer, God's wonderful grace, and coconut oil that we enjoyed a time of improvement. It was the Lord allowing us to remain here until help arrived. We give God all the praise. In the last month or so, unfortunately, that has changed. We are thankful that Doris is still mobile, though not very strong. There are some better days, but overall the condition has turned negative. She can no longer do the housework and needs help in much of her personal needs. We cannot leave her alone. Either she goes with me when I need to go, which is most of the time, or someone needs to stay with her. We, along with many others, are praying and seeking the Lord's will concerning our plans.

The Lord has manifested His power and leadership in revealing His will. We need to get her to the mainland to see if there is anyone else or any other means to help her. We have good medical provisions here. We believe that they know what they are doing and doing all that they can for her, but we would like to have more eyes and minds involved.

Therefore, we plan to leave the field about the end of July. We do not have a set date yet, but we will let you know the exact time before we leave. This will be a month or so short of our 4 years. That is far shorter than we had planned, but we need to take care of my wife of 57 years.

The blessing in this is seeing God's hand move. One of our prayer requests was that the Henderson family could be here before we leave. Just this week they have reached 100% of their support goal. It was a blessing to see that they were willing to leave just short of that goal and the Lord provided and supplied the need. So, answered prayer is that we, Lord willing, will be here when the Hendersons arrive. Again, His timing is always right. Praise His dear name. Our plans were that we would have much more time with them before leaving, but circumstances will not allow as much as we had hoped.

The renovation project that we mentioned in our last letter begins, Lord willing, on June 12. We thank our sending church, Lighthouse Baptist Church in Santa Rita, for a very generous gift toward that project. How I thank God for Lighthouse and for her pastor.

We sincerely want to thank each and every one who has stood for many years with us through this term and others. We will keep you informed about Doris' condition and will be in touch to arrange a report to you of what the Lord has done here in Gospel Light Baptist Church in the village of Merizo, Guam.

Thank you again for your faithful support in material and prayers. You are truly our lifeline holders.

Because of Jesus Christ,

Elwood and Doris Hurst