



SERVANTS HELPING IN THE MINISTRY

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*"Be not ye
therefore like unto them:
for your Father knoweth what
things ye have need of, before ye ask him."*
Matthew 6:8

Greetings From The Pacific Island of Tinian,

It seems like so long since we last wrote, and we are excited to once again share with you what God is doing on Tinian. On Wednesday nights back in December, I started a series of messages on prayer and the importance of prayer. Two weeks ago I began to focus on the believer's prayer as found in Matthew 6. I have been especially mindful of verse 8. What a blessing to know that God is watching over us and caring for us in such a wonderful way. Before we ever realize we have a need, and even when a need arises, God already knows what we need before we ever ask Him. This is a tremendous encouragement to me as we ask you to pray for the Normans. You may not know what we need at any particular moment, BUT GOD DOES!! We thank you for your prayers, and we praise God for meeting our needs as you pray, and for meeting our needs day after day. AND HE HAS!!

We had a blessed time during the Christmas season. As I mentioned in our last letter, we had the entire church over for a Christmas supper on Sunday night. Most of our folks came and we had a wonderful time of fellowship. We were amazed that no one wanted to leave, and our time went well into the late evening. Praise God for Christian fellowship.

In our last letter we asked you to pray for our military personnel in general and for Teddy and Christian in particular. Marilee and I had the privilege of taking both men out to lunch and witnessing to them one on one. We are happy to report that both men are saved, and God placed a real hunger in their souls. Until they left the island because of re-deployment, they attended church regularly and faithfully. They even came to our Christmas supper. One of the men in our church took a special interest in Christian, and all of us were amused but thankful that Christian came over to this man's house almost every night before leaving.

During the month of January all of the military personnel that had been serving here left island and moved to other parts of the world. Pray for Christian and Teddy that they will be good testimonies for Christ and continue to be faithful. Also in January, a whole new unit of soldiers was deployed here. We have had some good opportunities to meet some of them and invite them to church. We praise God that one Navy Sea Bee visited us last week. Please pray for Yaw. Pray that he will return and bring others with him.

We continue to be busy in our ministry to the people here of Calvary Baptist Church. It is such joy to see their love for God and to experience their faithfulness. Our small congregation continues to hunger and thirst after righteousness, and I continue to be blessed with the privilege of preaching to them. In their own way each is having an impact on the community in general and on the military community in particular. Pray for all of us that we would continue to be godly ambassadors for Christ. Pray that God would open doors for us to reach this small Pacific community.

We are well. God continues to protect us and give us the strength to keep on keeping on. We continue to be thankful for the opportunity to help the Workman's as they continue their furlough. Pray for Roger Workman as he will be having cataract surgery on February 13 and 20. Pray for our health. Pray that God would continue to give me wisdom as I study and prepare messages. Pray for Marilee as she leads a monthly ladies' Bible study. While our needs are somewhat general, there will always be particular needs that arise. We will not always be able to share these with you on a daily basis, but remember with confidence that our Father which is in heaven knows what things we have need of before we ask him.

God bless each and every one of you in the days ahead. We thank you for all the gifts, letters, cards, phone calls, prayers, and support that you have sent our way. May God supply all your needs according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus! **"Finally brethren, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may have free course, and be glorified, even as it is in you." II Thessalonians 3:1**

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