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SCOTT & MARILEE

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"And he said unto me, 'My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness.' Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me." II Corinthians 12:8

Greetings From North Carolina!

Praise the Lord! We have returned safely from the mission field. We are home now and trying to settle in and adjust to life back in the States. Our time in Tinian was wonderful, and God richly blessed. We hated to leave, but it was a joy relieving the Workmans while they were on furlough. They are back now, and things are going well with Calvary Baptist Church. Praise the Lord! After returning from the field we received word from the Workmans that Calvary Baptist Church has taken us on for support.

As you know, when we left Tinian, we spent two days in Saipan with the folks at Calvary Baptist Church. I had the privilege of preaching in the morning service on Fathers' Day. The church honored us with gifts and wonderful dinner. What a send-off! From June 19 to July 6, we spent our time helping Family Baptist Church in Guam. We thank God for the profitable time He gave us while there. We were limited by the effects of Typhoon Mawar, but God nonetheless blessed. I had the privilege of preaching in all of the services at Family Baptist. We had

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many opportunities to be with some of the families, and the fellowship was extra special. Marilee had the opportunity to speak to the ladies at a fellowship meeting and to hold a Bible study with another lady. Please pray for them because they are still without a pastor.

We left Guam and arrived in Raleigh, NC on July 6. As we approached the baggage area we were given a great surprise. All four of our daughters and their families met us at the airport and helped us with our luggage. What a blessed reunion that was. They drove us to our home and spent some days with us. Thank God for family!! The rest of July was mainly spent getting settled in and adjusting. One of the biggest blessings to come our way in July was Saturday morning visitation at our home church, Trinity Baptist Church, on July 29. We had no less than twenty people show up for visitation, and I cannot begin to tell you what an encouragement this was to me. Thank God for those who still know that the gospel is paramount, and are willing to take that gospel to all the world.

We used some of July to begin scheduling meetings. We will begin traveling again in August. We have a fairly full schedule in August, September, and October. About half our time will be visiting supporting churches, while the other half will be spent visiting new churches, including a couple of mission conferences. Pray for us as we travel and as we continue to raise support. We

greatly desire to see our

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support level reach 100%. At the present we are at about 94%. We covet your prayers.

I have not said much about this before, but now I bring this to you as a matter of prayer. About two years ago I was diagnosed with psoriatic osteoarthritis in both my knees. This has limited me, and it has been a bit painful to walk. Over these past two years, I have managed the pain with cortisone shots. Right before leaving the States to minister in Tinian, the doctor gave me some gel shots. This gel treatment worked for almost the entire time we were gone, but on June 12, I started experiencing more difficulty than ever. On July 28, I met with my knee doctor. He has scheduled me for knee replacement surgery on November 8 for my left knee. Please pray for us. I am not as concerned about the surgery as I am about the down time for recovery. Pray that all will go well. In the meantime, I am greatly depending on God's sufficient grace and taking my



Pastor Matthew Furan, Pastor of Calvary Baptist Church in Saipan and his wife Barbara



Marilee with some of the ladies of Family Baptist Church in Guam.



Family reunion at the airport in Raleigh, NC

strength from Him!

I want to thank each and every one of you once again for your prayers and financial support. Both have been a real encouragement both to 0f US, and certainly а tremendous help. God bless each of you in the days ahead. We praise God for His goodness upon us, His provisions to us, and for keeping us safe.

Now that we are home, please be aware of our new cell phone numbers.

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Sincerely In Christ, Scott and Marilee Norman

Our last days in Tinian











Saying goodbye to us at the airport