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Dear Co-laborers and Praying Partners:

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ from the Padocks' and the Capital Hill Baptist Church in Pohnpei.

We give thanks to the Father and to our Lord Jesus Christ for your prayers and support to us. During the past two months, we were (still are) challenged and blessed to again see the faithfulness, power, mercy, love and grace of our Lord truly "the effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much." James 5:15B

In June we had the opportunity to attend Lukop's Independent Baptist Church revival services for their 25 year anniversary, and I preached during one of the services. We also attended a mission's conference at Ambassador Baptist Church in U Municipality.

In June and July I counseled 3 couples (Eddie & Marcia; Weisang & Celica; and John & Jereen). I gave the challenge in Eddie's and Marcia's wedding ceremony at Ambassador Baptist Church. I officiated Weisang and Celica's garden wedding. The latter couple is members of our church. Please pray for them. Weisang and Celica just recently got saved and are young in their Christian life.

We were going to have another wedding in our church for John Alik and Jereen Raymond on August 2, but Jereen died suddenly on July 26^{th} . She was only 21 years old. We all were shocked and grieved for her untimely departure. Jereen was a sweet, kind, genuine Christian girl. She loves the Lord and likes to witness to young people her age. The young people and even the older folks in our church look up to her. During the whole week after her funeral in which I preached we also had services in her parent's house. Pray that the word sown will bring forth fruits to glorify our Lord. Also pray for Jereen's parents. They were separated for $1\frac{1}{2}$ years the father didn't come to church but was living in sin. Praise the Lord, after the funeral he got right with the Lord, with his wife and they got back together. He also asked for forgiveness of everyone he knew he had wronged. They are back in fellowship and worship services in our church.

We covet your prayers for us and also for these people who also got saved within these last 2 weeks. They are Kenio Iohp (44 years old), his son Roy Iohp (17 years old), Clinton Iohp (15 yrs. old), Waldis Clark (52 years old) and Jeffrey Ranis (20 yrs. Old). We desire to help them grow in the Lord. We also need Bibles in English to give them.

We thank the Lord for our son, Sonny Jr., who has been a great help to us in this ministry. He conducts the youth meetings on Saturday evenings, leads Sunday school singing, teaches the young boys (13-26) Sunday school class, and also drives our truck to bring folks to Church on Sunday mornings. Also this summer he has a group of boys come to our house almost every evening for fellowship and singing. The 3 boys mentioned above who just got saved are part of this group. Sometimes they spent the whole night with us and are packed like sardines in our small living room. Pray that he will keep looking unto Jesus; surrendering his life to him, and his love for the Lord to grow. He's single and planning to further his education in a Christian college. He is teaching at Calvary Christian Academy.

On July 20 we had the ground breaking ceremony at our church for the extension that we have been planning to build. The size of the extension is twenty feet long. The width will be the same as the width of the existing building.

During the week of July 28-August 2 was a busy week for us. We had the funeral service on July 28, and had our Vacation Bible School (July 30-August 1st.) in the afternoons, attended revival meetings at Calvary Baptist Church with Mr. Dalton Heath (July 28-30), and had services at the Raymond's house afterwards (July 29-31- August 2 -4). Then our Church had a retreat from Friday night August 1 to Saturday August 2, at Nihco Marine Park. I had Mr. Kesner Santos and Mr. Kelly Keller gave the challenge during the two services we had there. "It is of the Lord's mercies that we are not consumed, because his compassions fail not. They are new every morning, great is thy faithfulness." "The Lord is good.." (Lam. 3;22-23 & 25).

Pray for our students that have left the island to further their education abroad. Pray for Gayle (Baby) Keller who is now in Guam to attend Harvest Baptist Bible Institute and Kevin Harry in Yap attending COMFSM Fisheries Institute.

Thank you for being faithful. Keep up the good work.

Sonny, Lihna, Sonny Jr., Sonya, Haworth, Roland, and Sonsha.