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Dear Partners in Ministry,

Thank you all for your prayers for us. We are currently on Pohnpei. In early March I began experiencing pain in my abdomen along with a fever. This started on a Friday. The next day my fever had soared to 105 degrees, and I was vomiting. Pastor Ray walked to the main island and asked the doctor to come. Nukuoro has recently been blessed with a doctor sent from Pohnpei. After examining me, he decided that he should start me on some antibiotics. He was not sure where the infection was until Monday when it showed itself to be a kidney infection. After several days on the antibiotics, I was not getting better and was growing worse. The doctor called on the short wave radio for the Patrol Ship. It was dispatched from Chuuk and transported me to Pohnpei. I arrived on Sunday morning and was taken by ambulance to Pohnpei State Hospital. They immediately started IV antibiotics and examined me again. They decided that until the infection was gone, the examination would be inconclusive. I was in the hospital for over a week before they did surgery for an infected nerve. When I had surgery last year, the nerve did not heal properly and became infected causing the infection to go to my kidneys. I am out of the hospital now and really feeling much better. We plan to return to Nukuoro on the June ship.

Pastor Ray and Mercyda are carrying on the work on Nukuoro. People are coming to the Bible studies and have expressed concern over when we will be returning. Please hold them up in prayer as they oversee things in our absence.

Just before I was evacuated to Pohnpei, an older lady was saved at the Bible study. We praise the Lord for this lady being saved. She is in her 80's. So far, we have seen about 10 people trust Christ.

The building has halted but we hope to continue as soon as we return. We are still in need of funds to buy more building supplies. We have completed about half of what is needed to live here. We are still living in our tent, so we need to get a permanent house soon. Pastor Ray and Mercyda are living in a small thatched naahs (a small pavilion). Trying to keep things dry is a constant chore for all of us. The kitchen is complete and so is the cookhouse. These have been a huge blessing because we can now eat, cook and bake bread without fear of the rain. Building materials are very expensive, and then there is the additional cost of shipping.

Prayer Requests: People to be saved, Christian growth in those who have been saved, My continued recovery, Funds for building supplies, A new generator.

PLEASE NOTE THAT WE DO NOT HAVE EMAIL. OUR MAILING ADDRESS IS: P. O. BOX K3223, KOLONIA, POHNPEI 96941 FSM. MISSIONARY FRIENDS ARE COLLECTING OUR MAIL AND SENDING IT ON THE SHIP. IT CAN TAKE 3 TO 4 MONTHS FOR US TO RECEIVE YOUR LETTERS.

Looking unto Jesus,
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