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Dear Praying Friends,

Thank you all for praying for our safe travel home. We arrived back in South Carolina on September 28th. The trip was uneventful, and we are glad to be back with our family again. A few of our supporting churches contacted us for updates on the ministry, so we have been traveling a little. If you would like to have us in for an update, please contact me via email: jack@thepeelers.org or by phone at 864-884-5230. My calendar is almost filled through mid-May of 2018. We plan to return to the field around October of 2018.

I have seen the orthopedic doctor here for a follow-up visit about my knee. We were told in the Philippines that a knee replacement might be needed. After seeing the records from there, the doctor here thinks that is the only permanent fix. I am scheduled for a knee replacement on December 11th. Please make this a matter of prayer. We know that God is the Great Physician and He is in control of the outcome. We are praying for a complete and speedy recovery. The doctor says that I cannot do very much traveling until around the end of February. I will be having physical therapy for about two months after the surgery.

After several delays, the ship finally left Pohnpei for Nukuoro last week. Friends at Calvary Baptist Church on Pohnpei sent supplies down for our partners, Ray and Mercyda Ezekias. We are thankful for the help this church is providing. Please continue to pray for Pastor Ray and his wife, Mercyda, as they continue the work on Nukuoro alone. There is much to do and many who still need Christ there. We have received word that the Bible Studies are being well attended. Mercyda is handling the ladies ministry and helping Pastor Ray with the Kid's Club. Pastor Ray is doing all the preaching for Sunday services, daily devotionals, and the Wednesday Bible Study. Also, he works with the kindergarten age children. He teaches these kids three days a week to help prepare them for first grade. It has opened doors for the parents to hear the gospel as they see their children learning God's word. Pray that Ray and Mercyda will have the strength needed and see God save and grow more of the people.

We are looking into purchasing a shortwave radio, antenna, and the solar equipment to operate it. This equipment will greatly help us with communicating our supply needs to our contacts on Pohnpei. Many times the government radio is not available to us. We believe this would be a valuable asset to the ministry there. It would also help us in case of an emergency situation like we had in 2016. The cost of the entire system will be around \$3000.00. Please pray about this need and for wisdom in finding the right equipment.

Prayer Requests:

- Souls to be saved on Nukuoro
- Health and strength for Ray and Mercyda
- Healing for my knee.

Thank you for your continuing prayers and financial support. Praying God's blessings for you all.

In His service,

Jack & Melinda

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