JACK & MELINDA





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Dear Partners in Prayer,

Thank you all for your continued prayer and financial support. We praise the Lord for how He is answering our prayers for the needs in Nukuoro. We have seen God working in the hearts of people to help with supplies to send to our partner, Pastor Ray. Because the ship is not going down very often, more supplies need to be sent each time. We used to send around three months of food and maintenance supplies at a time. Now we need about six months each time.

Pastor Ray held a baptism for the new believers a few weeks ago. He was able to baptize five adults. Each one gave a good testimony of faith in Christ, and they are living out their faith before others. We praise the Lord for this good report. We can hear this through the short-wave radio conferences that Pastor Ray has with our helpers at Calvary Baptist Church on Pohnpei.

Some have asked about my health, so I am pleased to report that I am doing very well. The Lord has strengthened me, and I am now beginning to travel to our supporting churches to give more detailed reports of the work. We are working with our mission agency and sending church to put a network of people together who will be available to supply information and ship supplies to the islands. We will report how this is coming about in future letters. Please pray for this endeavor.

A family from our area has contacted us about working on another atoll in the FSM (Federated States of Micronesia). Kapingamarangi is another 200 miles south of Nukuoro and three days ship ride from Pohnpei. The people on Kapingamarangi are of the same ethnic group as the Nukuoroans. The language is the same, and the culture is also similar. Please pray for this family. Johnathan will be starting Bible college in the fall. He and his wife are excited about how God is leading them. They have two children, a 14-year-old and a four-year-old. We will be assisting them as they seek information and support. We will also be traveling with them when they go on a survey trip. We don't know when this will be because the FSM is still closed to visitors.

We desire to see more missionaries working in the outer atolls of the FSM. We seek those who are willing to trust the Lord and heed the call to take the gospel to the uttermost. Because these areas are remote and difficult to get supplies into, the numbers of missionaries going are small. The need is great, and the people are open. Pray that God will open the eyes and hearts of His people and that they will be willing to trust Him and go. *"…The harvest truly is plenteous, but the laborers are few."*

Prayer Requests: Pastor Ray and his wife, Mercyda; Jarson and his family as they assist Pastor Ray; Larry, Larson, Dexson, and Mrs. John as they help from Pohnpei.

For Souls in Nukuoro, Jack & Melinda