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1. Pastor Mike's health
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Dear Friends,

Is it already February or only February? Time is such a fickle commodity here in the islands; it seems to simultaneously pass both quickly and slowly. In fact, we just celebrated our three year anniversary here in Chuuk! All the more reason to “redeem the time!”

Our Christmas season was quite enjoyable with Sarah's mom and dad here for the whole month of December. We had a nice time and it was encouraging to have family around for such a special time of year. My father-in-law and I were also able to get some much needed projects done on the house and truck. Our roof sprung a leak just in time for them to get here and help us fix it! God's timing is perfect.

I (Josh) was invited to do a Gospel presentation at a village Christmas program (see last image). I had no idea what to expect, but to my surprise (with some nervousness) I was able to clearly present the Gospel to a group of about 200 boys, girls, men, and women in a village that I have been praying about an opportunity to get into. Even just the other day I had someone stop me in a store (about 35 minutes away from the village the program was in) and tell me that he was in attendance that day and he appreciated the message! We also had our annual Christmas jail ministry on

Christmas day. Thank the Lord that we were able to see one precious soul come to the Lord! What a day to be saved!

During this time, Sarah was busy writing and directing a Christmas program for our own church. The congregation really seemed to love it, and it was an excellent way to encourage people to get involved in service. She did a phenomenal job. In January she began her tutoring ministry again at the local women's counsel and has also been writing curriculum for Sunday school and, more than likely, our upcoming Vacation Bible School in the summer.

Milena is...well...busy to say the least! She is now four years old and asks what seems to be a million questions a day. Her curiosity is almost insatiable and her desires to play and learn are also active. Though she is young, it is encouraging to see her begin to slowly grasp the truths from Bible accounts and to know who Jesus is. We are praying that her heart will be opened to Him at an early age.



As we delve into the new year, we still carry many of the same responsibilities (as do you!). Sarah continues to tutor, teach, write curriculum, be an amazing wife and mother, and a host of other responsibilities. I continue to preach, plan, prepare, teach, and help others in the community. Please be praying that we have a productive year - not in our view or opinion, but in the Lord's eyes.

Many may wonder what it is like to be a missionary in such a unique place. Is every day full of Gospel packed action and adventure? In the words of a Patch the Pirate character, are we always "shootin' the Gospel gun?" Well, yes and no. Being a missionary here is fixing PVC pipes that break because of kids playing in the yard, figuring out what the next meal will be since we don't have fresh supplies from a ship, being asked (for what seems the millionth time) for money or food, acting as a taxi for contacts without transportation, and a host of other roles. It is, simply put, living out daily life for the purpose of glorifying God and advancing His Kingdom. That's what we are ALL called to do. Yes, there are times of amazing excitement, lightbulb moments, and adventures that can only happen on a small island. But so often, "missions" is in the small moments that the Lord brings along as we are able to impact lives on a one-on-one basis through relationships that God has allowed us to take the time to build.

Thank you for being a vital part of our work here in Chuuk. We thank the Lord for all He is doing. As you think of it, please be in prayer for several requests. First, our pastor here in Chuuk, Mike Abbe, is dealing with some health issues. Please be in prayer for him. Also, there is a family that we have been ministering to for quite some time; they seem to be opening up to further Gospel ministry. Pray that we have wisdom as we move forward with them. Continue to pray for our appeal that is awaiting action from the Supreme Court. We have heard no news. And finally, please continue to pray that we would be faithful to the call of God on our lives as we reach people for Him here in Chuuk. We are grateful for you all.

Until the Islands Know Him,

Josh, Sarah, and Milena Wagar

Romans 15:21