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# THE WAGAR'S

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To Chuuk, Micronesia

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## Praises

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- 1) No virus here yet
- 2) Bible study started
- 3) All of us are well

## Requests

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- 1) Wisdom as we prepare for COVID-19
- 2) Faithfulness as we serve

## Contact Us

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Dear Faithful Friends,

It seems to me like every time I write a prayer letter it's a rainy afternoon here in Chuuk. Presently, however, that is a very good thing. As the summer (which for us starts in about March) kicked off, it seemed like it was going to be a hot and dry summer since we almost immediately went into a drought. Over the past couple of weeks, though, the Lord has graciously provided rain for which we are grateful. The road we live on (and others like it) is back to its muddy condition!

There are times when it seems like the scenery of missions life has little to no change and we feel we are running on the hamster wheel of routine. So we faithfully serve until God opens a door. I have been able to start a Bible study with a family that lives not too far from us, but a little bit up in the mountain. If you remember when we first got here, there was a man I worked with named Arson; this Bible study is with part of his wife's family. We are going through basic discipleship with a large emphasis on the Gospel. Keep praying for Tokoro, Martina, and their family as we meet on Thursday afternoons. It's been encouraging to see how



hungry they have been to hear more of the Word. They are also becoming regular attendees of our church. We are excited to see what God will do in their lives.

On Resurrection Sunday, our church held a combined English and Chuukese service rather than having our two regular services. Afterwards we enjoyed a nice meal together. It was encouraging to see so many people attend; if I remember correctly, we had a little over 50 people! Pastor Mike gave me the privilege of being able to preach the sermon for that day. What a unique experience that was! It was my first time preaching a sermon and having to switch back and forth between English and Chuukese, but the Lord was present and I believe that His Word was heard.

All of us are doing well. The Corona Virus has not reached Chuuk (or the FSM for that matter) due to the country closing down incoming flights. However, we have felt the impact of the virus since this takes away all tourism which is essential to the economy. Shipping seems to have been a little more infrequent, or at least a little less is coming in. Also, all schools have shut down for the remainder of the school year, so this has caused us to have to stop our Bible Club. Chuuk is preparing for the day that the borders open back up, because it is almost certain that COVID-19 will then reach us, and with an extremely high population of diabetic people and other pre-existing conditions as well as very little medical capabilities, we are trying to prepare for what may lie ahead. Please keep Chuuk in your prayers and pray that the Lord gives Sarah and I wisdom as we seek to minister in this unique time. Many of our summer activities are up in the air right now because we just don't know what things will look like by then. I know it is the same for many of you.

All in all, though, we are well. Sarah just celebrated her birthday on April 6 and continues to be busy and involved with many church activities, writing Sunday school lessons, and much more! Milena gains more energy every day! Her sense of adventure is ever growing and she is learning more and more about who Jesus is. We are praying for the day when she realizes her personal need for Him. Finally, I am well. Though COVID has slowed down some things, I feel like I am busier than ever. God continues to be good to us - far better than we deserve.

In closing, I wanted to let you know about a new podcast that I have called "The Missionary Micro Stories Podcast." You can see the video version on my personal Facebook page or listen to the audio on Apple Podcasts or Podbean. It's just a short podcast that features missionaries telling some of their favorite stories about their time serving the Lord.

We are grateful for each of you. I know that many of you have been facing unique difficulties during this time; thank you for remaining faithful to our God despite the hardship. Keep your eyes on Jesus and your hands to the plough! It's a privilege for us to be serving along side of you.

Until the Islands Know Him,  
Josh, Sarah, and Milena Wagar  
Romans 15:21