
THE WAGARS

To Chuuk, Micronesia

Praises

- 1) Baby Uriah arrived safely
- 2) Good meetings thus far

Requests

- 1) Sarah's continued healing from birth
- 2) Profitable furlough and God's leading
- 3) Church in Chuuk

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Our Dear Praying Friends,

It is with great pleasure and joy that we can announce the arrival of our son, Uriah Kekoa Wagar, on September 25, 2022! He was born 8 pounds 3 ounces and 19 1/2 inches long. Sarah did such an amazing job in labor. In fact, she was able to do most of it here at the house and only have to do the last little bit in the hospital! Mom and baby are both doing great and we are all adjusting happily to this new little life in our family.



Since being back in the States we have been able to visit a decent amount of our supporting churches within our nearby vicinity. Most recently we had the joy of participating in our home church's missions conference. It is the biggest week of the year at the church as the conference stretches from Sunday to Sunday. Though we were just one week in to adjusting to life with a new baby, we were able to enjoy taking part of this special time in our church and updating our church family on what God has done and what we believe Him to be getting ready to do.

We took the rest of the month of October to adjust to having Uriah and to focus on evaluating his health. Initially there were concerns, but we thank the Lord that he is in the clear. This month we will be traveling to some more meetings in Virginia during the first two weeks and then we will be down to Georgia to visit our supporting churches that way and to spend Thanksgiving with Sarah's sister and family. Finally, Lord willing,

we will be taking December to truly enjoy some family time and rest before we begin traveling in the new year.

As for news from back home, COVID finally hit Chuuk for which we are very grateful. This has forced the government to recognize that the largest threat of COVID has passed and that they are right in desiring to open the borders. As of now, the borders are fully open to any and all! This is an answer to prayer since they have seemed to talk about keeping the border closed indefinitely. Now, however, there is one less obstacle in our return to Chuuk.

With COVID hitting Chuuk, most of our church folks were affected. We were most worried about Pastor Mike and Ms. Sophia due to their poorer health conditions. But, thank the Lord, they were able to weather the sickness just fine and were back up and going within about a week. The other members of the congregation that did become ill are also doing better from everything that I am hearing.

We are still trying to wrap up the last little bit of our Audio Version of the Book of Mark. Progress has slowed a little due to COVID in the islands. Plus, keeping the project going from 8,000 miles away can prove to be a bit challenging! Please be praying that we are able to wrap this up by the end of the year.



All in all our family is doing well here, but at the moment we are seeking to discern the lessons that God is trying to teach us. Truth be told, we feel like we are a bit in limbo. There are some circumstances that God is allowing to take place in order to teach us to more fully depend on Him and though we may not yet see the point of the lesson or fully understand the answers to some of our deeper questions, we are simply reminded to wait on the Lord and to rest in Him - even in the limbo. His timing has been perfect, His provision has been abundant and we know that He is always faithful to those who seek to serve Him.

As you think of us, please be praying that this furlough would be profitable. We need safety on the roads as we travel and we need good health to be able to keep up the work that needs to be done. Please be praying that God begins to prepare the way back to Chuuk and that we have the wisdom and clarity to discern His timing and will. And please be praying for our family; we are trying to use this time to rest as well. And, as always, please keep Chuuk, its people, and the church in your prayers that God would light a fire in Chuuk that would not soon be stamped out. We covet your prayers because God answers them.

Until the Islands Know Him,
Josh, Sarah, Milena, and Uriah Wagar

Romans 15:21