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# The Mark

## Zimmer Family

July Update

Serving in Yap, Micronesia

*"Ah Lord God! Behold, thou hast made the heaven and the earth...and there is nothing too hard for thee..." Jer 32:17*

As we reflect on the past year of deputation, we give God all the glory for His provision through the good times and the struggles. His Grace has remained sufficient to meet all our needs and more! We have seen the reality of answered prayer and appreciate all of you who have upheld us before God's throne of grace.

*"It's a boy!"*

On June 11 while we were in Greenville, SC, a family friend did an ultrasound for Diane and we were able to find out that our next baby will be a boy! He is due to arrive on September 30. After much prayer and the seeking of Godly counsel, we have decided to leave for Yap after the birth of the baby, near the end of November.

*Support Level*

We praise the Lord for a 10% increase since our last prayer letter, which brings us to 75% of our needed support. Leaving in November will allow us to be closer to the 100% mark which is another reason for deciding to stay until November. Since the major typhoon in Yap, we have heard reports from other missionaries in Yap that the prices for goods have increased on the island. We are trusting the Lord that the remainder of our support will come in over the next few months and we would ask you to pray with us concerning this matter.

*Passage Fund*

God has miraculously provided over \$5,000 more toward the purchase and shipping of our belongings and plane tickets to Yap. This brings us to approximately 70% of our needed passage fund with a remainder of \$4,500 needed. Beginning this week, we will pack a 20 foot container at our home in Chetek, WI, which will be sent by boat to Yap taking approximately 2 months to arrive. We arrived back home to Chetek last night and were surprised to find that our home church family had filled our garage with many needed items for us to use in Yap that we will pack in our container! We are also planning to share another 20 foot container with Paul (my brother) and Bob Whitmore, which will be sent out from Greenville, SC sometime in the next few months. The reality of our departure is becoming very evident as we pack and send our belongings ahead of us!

*Family Reunions*

We had the wonderful opportunity of reuniting with my brother Paul as he has returned to the states for his furlough. We were able to spend time traveling together making plans for our future ministry together in Yap. Another brother John is making a CD and wanted the 5 brothers to sing a song together for it, so we all met in Milwaukee and made that very special memory. Last week we had a fun vacation time in Traverse City, MI reuniting with Mom and Dad Zimmer and other family members. This week we look forward to Mom and Dad Seeley spending time with us in Chetek helping us pack for Yap. During the third week of June, we spent a Family Fellowship Week with our missions family in Wilmington, NC. We were also able to visit some of the places we have lived in the past reuniting with friends from Elizabeth City, NC and Virginia Beach, VA.

*Kid's Korner* We had a blast this past month as we . . .

Visited Florida for the first time, Played with our cousins, attended Vacation Bible School, roller skated for the first time, bowled a game of 126 (Joseph!), caught buckets of frogs (accidentally letting some go in the car, much to Mom's dismay!), played in the sand and waves in the Atlantic Ocean, caught tons of bass and blue gill at the Maple's pond in Indiana, got a DVD player for our car given to us, dove into the hugest sand box in the world at the Sleeping Bear Sand Dunes near Lake Michigan, caught 9 garter snakes with my cousins, and took rides with our Uncle Dave on his dirt bike . . . now don't you wish you were a missionary kid????

*Thank you for your continued prayers for our family! We serve a great God!  
Mark, Diane, Joseph, John Mark, and Cherith*