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"The will of God will never take you
where the Spirit of God cannot work through you,
where the wisdom of God cannot teach you,
where the army of God cannot protect you,
where the hands of God cannot mold you."

Bon Voyage!

It seems hard to believe that the time for our departure to Yap has come! We will be leaving from Minneapolis, MN on November 29th at 8 am. Before arriving in Yap on December 8th we will spend some time in Hawaii and Guam visiting churches and presenting our ministry there. We praise the Lord for allowing our support to increase to 97% as well as providing all of the funds needed to ship the rest of our things to Yap. We are enjoying spending our last couple of weeks here in Chetek, WI with our home church family. This coming Sunday, November 21st will be our send off service.

"Faithful is He that calleth you, who also will do it." I Thess 5:24

Our Newest Addition!

On September 22 the Lord blessed us with our third son, Caleb Matthew, weighing 8 lbs, 14 oz. He is growing quickly and adjusting well to the noisy and eventful life our family leads! John Mark prayed for a little brother that looked like him, and he was filled with glee when he came to the hospital to see that, sure enough, the Lord had answered his prayer! The Lord allowed us to take a couple months off from extensive traveling around the time of the baby and this helped both mom and baby recover well.

Our Faithful Troopers!

The past year and a half has been an adventure for all of us, but we praise the Lord for our children who endured many changes and also enjoyed many blessings. What special memories they will have of the many friends they met along the way. Joseph had the opportunity to attend Bob Jones Elementary School during the months that we were in Greenville and made many new friendships. We praise the Lord that Joseph accepted the Lord as his personal Savior when he was 6 and this past Sunday night he was baptized at our church here in Chetek, WI. Cherith is growing into a little lady who loves to dress up and pretend she is a princess! She enjoyed her princess birthday party when she turned 3 in October. She prayed a cute bedtime prayer one night: "Jesus, please come back soon and bring me a Happy Meal!"

Special Thanks!

The past few months have been bitter sweet in many ways as we have had to say good-bye to many of our friends and family. The many gifts of love and hospitality that have been given to us through our deputation time have enabled us to look back on this time with fond memories and a sincere appreciation for the sacrifices people have made to send us to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ. You share in our reward! We praise the Lord for the lasting friendships we have made along the way and we thank you for upholding us in your prayers. "Thanks be unto God for His unspeakable gift."

Please Write!

Nothing will bring us more joy than to hear from you, our praying friends, when we are in Yap. We have a new e-mail address (markanddiane@zimmerfamily.org) which we will continue to use when we are in Yap. We have also included our Yapese address under "Field Address." A regular 37 cent US stamp will get your letter to Yap! We also have new prayer cards available with an updated picture and family information. We will be sending some to our supporting churches, but if you would like one personally, just let us know. May the Lord bless each of you!