



# The Mark

## Zimmer Family

*Serving in Yap, Micronesia*

**February/March 2005**

**"Let my mouth be filled with thy praise and with thy honour all the day." Psalm 71:8**

**Mark~Diane  
JohnMark~Joseph  
Caleb~Cherith**

The Lord has given us so much to praise Him about these past few weeks! Although disappointments and hardships have come, we are reminded of God's Sovereign plan for us, and we thank Him for His wisdom and power!

### **Praises! New Believers!**

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We are praising the Lord for a lady name Priscilla whom Diane was able to lead to Christ. She came to live next door about a month ago with her little girl, Lee, who is about a year younger than Cherith. Cherith has been enjoying having a little playmate as well as someone that she can mother! There were also two young people in children's church who made salvation decisions and we are rejoicing for this as well.

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Cherith and Lee



Bob & Polly's house

### **Building Projects**

The Lord has allowed us to make significant progress on Bob Whitmore's house as well as the cabinets in Paul's kitchen. I am presently working on the last cabinet in the kitchen. We are getting ready to start on the rafters for Bob's roof after we mill some more lumber. I did have an injury while installing 3/4 inch rebar in the block cores about 2 weeks ago. My index and middle finger tips were crushed by the rebar but the injury is healing rapidly. As far as I know there were no broken bones, just cuts on my index finger and it looks like I have on black fingernail polish!! Many of the Yapese men wear dark fingernail polish, so I guess I will fit right in with them.

### **Easter Feast**

For Easter Sunday we celebrated with a feast after the morning service. We had a big selection of local foods from tapioca to taro root. Hotdogs are a favorite! Although they aren't Dairy Queen footlong chili cheesedogs, they are usually good just the same. Diane cooked up 22 pounds of chicken legs and thighs and there was little left over. We may have tasted a bit too much local food as our stomachs regretted it the next day!

### **Visitors**

We are looking forward to Jack and Melinda Peeler coming the end of April to help with the projects here. They will be here for approximately 5 weeks and we hope to get much done while they are here. They arrive as Bob and Polly leave for their furlough and then Paul and Sherry return as Jack and Melinda leave the beginning of June! We still have not had much opportunity to move our things out of our containers or do much work on the house over at Yap Baptist that we plan to move into when Paul and Sherry return. We are thankful that the Peelers are coming at this very needy time.

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Finding treasures in the container



"Cool Bubby!"

### **Family News**

The past few months were full of emotional rollercoasters as we lost our dog, Ginger, (ran over after running under the car), got a new puppy, Chance (pronounced "Chauncey"); looked for treasures in the container, sometimes finding a toy, sometimes not! Our hot water heater went out and is still not working! Cold showers can be refreshing at times, though, as boiling water for the kids' baths makes for a steamy house! Caleb ("Bubby") started crawling and literally chewing up Joseph's school papers. Doing school . . . always a rollercoaster ride! Swimming in a little blow up pool, visits to the beach, getting packages from the states, buying pop and gum at the store . . . "these are few of our favorite things!!"

A scary thing happened one day when we were working over at the container. I heard screaming down at the road and when I went to look, I saw a man stomping on a lady. When I called to him and told him to stop, he turned on me and came at me with a machete yelling, "Can you mind your own business?!" I told him to put the machete down repeatedly and thankfully several cars stopped to watch. The lady escaped in someone's car and the man turned and walked away. Thank you for your continued prayers for our safety and for the children and Diane who witness these things.

### **Please Pray**

In February, William and Joan, whom we mentioned in our last prayer letter, moved back to Colonia and we lost contact with them. William did attend Yap Baptist one Sunday, but never returned. Please pray that we will be able to regain contact with them and see them go on for Christ.

Continue to pray for the growth of the new and growing Christians who are struggling with pressures from their old life before they knew Christ.

Continue to pray for Priscilla's husband, Ronald, to come to know the Lord. Priscilla is also expecting another baby in August.

Praise the Lord for His continued protection and grace in our lives. Thank you for partnering with us to reach the many lost souls here in Yap.

Yours for Yap,

*Mark, Diane, Joseph, JohnMark, Cherith and Caleb*