



Dear Friends:

As we write this letter, we are preparing for another typhoon that is forecasted to come very close to Yap. With dangerous winds and heavy seas, we ask for your prayer and for God's protection. As we rest in His care, we would like to reflect on all that the Lord has done in the past few months.

Church Remodeling

For several months, people have had a difficult time finding a place to sit inside the church building. During our Christmas service, the children could not sit in the church because of the lack of seating. In an effort to cut down the cost of an addition to the building, we opted to take out the front two storage rooms and move the platform to the front wall of the church. This project allows us to seat at least 30 more people, and the Lord has already provided 30 more chairs that will be arriving in the near future.

The Malmanger Family

We were thankful that at just the right time, the Lord sent the Malmangers (two brothers and their wives) from Camp Chetek in Wisconsin to help us with projects. In addition to the church remodeling job, they helped repair the basketball court/driveway and installed a new basketball goal, made new cabinet fronts for our kitchen cabinets, and installed a bathroom sink and vanity.

The Malmangers painted and/or completed repair on a huge variety of work projects around the church and house. They helped us in so many ways, and God used their expertise in cabinetry, electrical, and plumbing to be a huge blessing to us.

On the Outer Islands

We also had the opportunity to visit the Outer Islands while the visitors were here. Flying first to Fais to visit Roland and Chelyn, we were able to tour the island to see the church camp grounds as well as visit with the church people who had made us a large feast of lobsters and local food. It was encouraging to see the fruit of their hard work and the Lord's working through the ministry there on Fais. *(over)*



Row 1: Church remodeling; Malmangers
 Row 2: On the Outer Islands with Roland and Chelyn;
 James and Masency
 Row 3: Yap students studying at Harvest; Truly and Lency

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Next we flew to Ulithi and spent some time with James and Masency and their children. Recently, this family has faced some opposition and have had to move their house to another part of the island. They have remained faithful and optimistic through their trials, and we are praying that this move will open more doors for them in the future. James is teaching at the island elementary school, and both he and Masency are building relationships as they work with the people.

Guam

A few days after our visitors left, we had the opportunity to go to Guam to speak at the missions conference at Harvest Bible College. It was a great time to get away as a family and spend time with our many friends and Yapese students in the college as well as see Truly and Lency Erra who were also part of the conference. You may remember that Truly and Lency worked with us in Yap from 2010-2012 and they now have a ministry on his home island of Fefan, Chuuk.

Building and Bonding

Recently, two widow ladies in the church were forced to leave their homes because they did not actually own the property. The men in the church have expressed interest in helping them, and we have already helped one lady move her house. We are in the process of rebuilding the second lady's house. We are thankful that God provided the wood through milling and that God is using the people in the church to bond together to help each other.

Special Christmas Gifts

We are always so thankful for the special Christmas gifts that are sent to our family over the holidays. Our family decided that we would like to use our Christmas money to go to Palau to visit my brother John and his family. The end of January, we spent one week in Palau with them and had a great time of fun and fellowship! Another bonus was that my brother Georg was visiting Palau, and we were able to see him in the airport for a short time.

Easter Sunday Baptismal Service

We are looking forward to our Easter Service on the beach as we have several that are interested in following the Lord in believer's baptism. Tonight I held a Bible study about baptism with three couples. We are excited about what God is doing in the lives of families here in Yap. It is not without opposition, though, so please pray for these families as they seek to follow the Lord in their lives.

**We hope you have a wonderful Easter celebrating our risen Lord!
Mark, Diane, Joseph, John Mark, Cherith, Caleb, and Levi**

Additional Praises and Prayer

- **Harvest Graduates:** Pray for four of our young people who will be graduating from Harvest in May. Pray for the Lord's leading in their lives after graduation.
- **Summer Activities:** Pray for our upcoming summer activities which will include a teen and adult work and ministry team from Harvest in June and our VBS and teen camps in July.
- **Dental Work:** While in Guam, Diane and Levi were able to get some dental work done that had been causing them problems for some time. Praise the Lord for his provision for the cost of their procedures.
- **Prison Ministry:** Continue to pray for the prison ministry. God is giving the men in the church a burden to minister to their fellow islanders and participate in this effort.
- **Ladies Bible Study:** Continue to pray for the Ladies Bible study as they study The Power of Words.
- **Needs:** A church van and money to replace the roof on the church and our house.

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