

WORLDWIDE NEW TESTAMENT BAPTIST MISSIONS

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DEAR PRAYING FRIENDS,

Greetings again from The Joel Family on Pohnpei. I trust all is going well for each one of you. We are all doing fine. Our ministries here on Pohnpei are moving along slower than it ought to be. Since we started our evening Bible Studies, our attendants have gradually increased from the 20's to the 50's. Pastor Welles teaches those having difficulty with the English language (ages 45 and older), while I teach those who speak English (ages 44 and below). Please pray that these studies will not only whet their appetite toward the Word of God, but that it will develop a zealous heart for serving God, especially in the area of personal soul winning.

Our Christian school spiritual emphasis week last month has yielded a few professions among our high school students and continues to impact the other students. Many of them are from unsaved families. Please pray for these students as they grow in their faith, that God will use them to witness to their loved ones. Our student body consists of 75% non-Baptist students and 25% Baptists. It is a real mission field and we make sure they hear the gospel in every chapel service. Yesterday, we invited several parents, whose children were chosen by their teachers as SOTM (student of the month). After presenting their certificates, I had the privilege of preaching the Word not just to the students, but the parents also.

Please pray for our young people as they plan their summer field trip to the southern islands of **Sapwuaifik, Nukuoro, and Kapingamarangi**. There are no fundamental churches or Christian witnesses on these islands. They will take tracts and Bibles with them. Our Youth Pastor, Brother Rickson Kihleng will be taking them. My Teenage daughter and I will be missing out on this golden opportunity on account of our upcoming trip to the states.

On April 14-17, Capitol Hill Baptist Church, one of our sister churches will be hosting a revival service. Please pray for salvation of souls and a true revival among our people. Missionary Dalton Heath will be the guest speaker. He was the missionary that God used to build that church. My family and former missionary Lockwood pioneered the work. We thank God for entrusting His gospel and His church ministries to unworthy creatures like us. We give Him the glory, praise, and blessings for all the accomplishments here.

Finally, pray for our stateside furlough and also the bitter-sweet experience of dropping off our daughter, Terisa Joy at BJU in Greenville, South Carolina. I will be living either in North Carolina or South Carolina for the duration of my furlough. **THANK YOU** very much for your continued prayer and support and we are truly looking forward to see and fellowship with all of you in person. May the Lord Bless and Keep us safe and healthy until we correspond again.

"When the world around us is crumbling, God is the rock on which you can stand..."

The Joel Family