

Worldwide New Testament Baptist Missions

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Dear Praying Friends,

Greetings from the highways and byways of the Eastern Seaboard region of the United States. Thank You all for your faithful prayers, support, and e-mails. Now we, along with other missionaries, are challenged through the preaching of Doctor Monroe at Bible Baptist Church of Durham, where Brother Greg Allison is the pastor and host of their annual missions conference. We are so glad to participate in this weeks conference. The last time I visited the church was in 1984 by myself. Now my wife and daughter are with me and I was asked to speak to the AWANA clubbers. After singing to them in our language, I shared how I got saved through a weekly Bible Club on my island. In the conference, two missionaries to China shared how that the gospel story is new to the Chinese. Most Micronesians, on the other hand, knew the gospel, heard about Christ, and spoke the language, BUT lost and dying in sin.

We want to Thank You for your prayers, especially for traveling mercies. First part of April, we started having car problem. The car just would not start one morning, so I asked a deacon in the church to help me. We managed to get it started, but the following morning, the same problem occurred. This time we drove the car to Advance Auto Parts and tested the battery. It was dead and so they charged it up. The car would not start on Friday morning (it was beginning to look like a bad car week), we returned the car and tested the alternator and it was kaput!. I had already bought a new battery and now a new alternator is needed before our trip to North Carolina the next morning. On Saturday, we got up early and loaded up, BUT the car would not start. After calling another friend, he brought along his airplane mechanic friend. The mechanic found out that the electrical lines behind the alternator were connected wrongly and fixed the problem

Well, we made it to Hendersonville, NC, BUT the next morning, it was dead again and this time, Pastor Walker of Grace Baptist, recommended his personal mechanic. After troubleshooting the car, he located a malfunctioning pump that was constantly putting out 15 volts, even with the engine shut down. He replaced the pump, and the air filter for \$50.00. We had spent over \$100.00 for a battery and an alternator that were not really needed in the first place (costly lesson learned). We are so grateful to see God leading us to the right people at the right time. Our daughter Terisa, managed to join us one night of the meetings, thanks to a lady church member, who works at BJU forty miles away.

We praise the Lord for another church, whose pastor called and informed us that they have voted us on as part of their missionary family. Former Guam pastor, James Gray and his gracious and hospitable folks at Calvary Bible in Centre Hall, Pennsylvania, made us feel like we were back on Guam.

.THANK YOU AGAIN FOR YOUR FAITHFULNESS TO MISSIONS, enabling your missionaries to serve the Lord better and more effectively. May the Lord keep us faithful and humble until He comes again.

Your CoLaborers *Brother William Joel and Family*