



Greeting our fellow Church family,

We hope you are well we continue to pray for you and you labor in God's kingdom. **Philippians 1:4** *"always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy,"*. We are thankful to be out in the pacific working this year.

The Work So Far

So far this year we have been blessed to work with the Lord's Church in several places across the pacific. Our team has been to Saipan, Chuuk, Kiribati, Palau, Vanuatu, and Tuvalu. We are thankful to God that we are able to get back to our normal schedule of travel to be with all of you.



New Christians in Vanuatu

Brother Stacy and Nathaniel Ferguson went to Duviara, Vanuatu in the month of January. This was Nathaniel's first time. It had been a long time since the PIBC had been taught in Duviara, not since 2019. It was a great two weeks of study. There were two baptisms resulting in two souls being added to Christ. While we were there a cyclone came close to the island where we were staying. We had a great amount of wind and rain but other than some trees falling down we were all safe. It was only a few weeks after we left the island that Vanuatu was hit by another cyclone and it destroyed the gardens of the people in the village where we taught PIBC. We decided to send them some help so they could get food while they try to rebuild.

Also, Brother Stacy and Sister Kathy went to Guam for the first time, this is a summary of his trip, "We have heard the expression of trying to put ourselves in someone else's shoes. This is used in a figurative way, but this time I had to literally do it. Let me explain. Atriko, a brother that I know from Chuuk, moved to Guam. While in Guam, some things happened and he is now in prison. With the help of Joey Treat and Wayne Parker I was able to see Atriko. It was a special visit that Joey



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arranged. It had been years since I had seen him. While he was in Chuuk, we had worked together many times and were pretty close. I would only have one hour to talk with him. This was not enough time, but take what you can get.

It was only for an hour so that was not a problem. Atriko and I had a great visit together. I tried to encourage him to make the best of the situation. He has done a good job getting others enrolled in Bible Correspondence Courses. Some have even enrolled in the Bible College Courses. It meant a lot to me to visit with Atriko and I am thankful for that time.

This was my first time to work in Guam. We had one PIBC class right before the pandemic which Robert Martin taught and this was the second. A lot of US military live in Guam. We had several of them that attended the class on Philemon, James, and Jude. We did have some locals that attended, but not as many as I hoped. Maybe next time we can have more. We only had one class to make it easier for them to come and not overload them. Since I had never worked in Guam, this gave me an opportunity to get to know the Christians.”

Words to Remember

In **John 9:4** Christ Jesus said, *I must work the works of Him who sent Me while it is day; the night is coming when no one can work.* Here Jesus and his disciples see a blind man. The disciples ask who sinned for the man to be born blind. Jesus said no one sinned but this was done so that God could be revealed to the people through a miracle performed. Jesus said this is why he came, to reveal the father to the world. This was his work, that he was eager to do while it was still day. What is Day? The time of teaching, the time of Labor. He knew time was limited. So he got to work. For us our day is the years of our life. If we knew our day of death would we work? Or would we weep?

Jesus valued his days. He did not let any moment go to waist. He used every day to teach his disciples and prepare them for the future. In **John 17:4** Jesus said, *I have glorified You on the earth. I have finished the work which You have given Me to do.* Christ understood that his days were the most priceless, the most promising, and the most productive. He knew that if he failed no one's life would be changed. Jesus finished his work. Because He did the work that His Father gave Him to do we all are able to go to heaven. God our Father has given us work to do, will you do your work?