

The Wagar Family

January 2025



Dear friends,

From our warm islands we wish you a very Happy New Year! We pray that you have a fruitful year in the Lord as you serve Him.

Family

We are all doing well and for that we thank the Lord. In November we were able to spend ten days in Guam at Harvest Baptist Church. While we were there, Sarah and I were able to take care of some needed health checkups and receive some care and medicine that is harder to get here. For the

first time in months I am feeling healthy. The kids are both healthy and happy and they had a wonderful time getting to play on playgrounds and see all of the new (to us) things in Guam. It was a well needed trip!

Ministry

Part of the reason we visited Harvest Baptist Church is to encourage the thirteen Chuukese students that attend Harvest Baptist Bible College. Some have grown up in Guam or the States and others are coming straight from Chuuk. One of the 2nd year students, Natia, is a young lady from our church. As we continue to encourage them, our prayer is that many will come back home and serve long-term in the community and, more importantly, in the church.



We have had lots of ministry going on over the past several months that has kept us on our toes! In September we had Dr. Jack and Mrs. Jenifer Mitchell as well as Dr. and Mrs. Hurlburt come out to Chuuk for a dental and medical trip. Though weather in Guam shortened the trip, we were able to minister to well over 100 people on two different islands and three different villages within the course of about a week! We had a blast and many people heard the Gospel before, during, or after receiving the medical attention they came for. Pray for continued results.

Shortly after the medical team left, Pastor Tom Phillips (who founded Grace International Baptist Church) came out with another small work team. We were able to accomplish many tasks at the church that we had fallen behind on as well as do a little work at the gym. It was a great trip and their labor and fellowship was a blessing to us.

Speaking of the gym, we were finally able to put a new roof on! We thank the Lord for this - no more leaks! I have ordered the equipment package and while we await its arrival the remaining renovations of painting, sealing the floor, and final touch-ups are being completed. Lord willing we will be ready to open within the next few months! We also praise the Lord that we were able to receive a five year grant through a program through the Chuuk hospital; this will be a tremendous help!

Sarah has also had opportunity to start a ladies Bible study once a month in which they are studying the book of Colossians. What an encouragement it was to have ten ladies attend the first meeting in November. As they continue to meet, pray that the ladies of our church and community begin to grow even more in their relationship with the Lord.

Upcoming



As we look to the plans for 2025, our desire remains the same: to see Christ's Kingdom take root in every area of Chuuk. Already we have quite a bit planned, but there are several key areas in which we need your prayerful help. Pray that we keep the first things first and that no matter what we do, it all gives God glory. Second, pray for the details of opening up the gym - it's a big undertaking. Finally, continue to pray for Grace International Baptist Church and that all the ministry happening in and through the church would produce disciples.

We are grateful for each of you and your faithfulness to the Lord in your area of service. Thank you for your prayers on our behalf. I am often reminded of how impotent our ministry would be without the prayers of the saints.

Let us keep serving the Lord together as we enter this new year!

Praises:

- Gym has new roof
- Trip to Guam went well
- Many people heard Gospel during clinics

Prayer

Requests:

- Upcoming Year
- Discipleship opportunities

Until the Islands Know Him,

Josh, Sarah, Milena, and Uriah
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Romans 15:21

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