

MISSION: MICRONESIA

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"Where Sky and Ocean Seem As One"

Ship's Log: Homeward bound, Port Koror

—Glen Knight

The plane lifted off from Won Pat International Airport, Guam on time. It was 10:00 PM on the 5th of September 2021 as we winged our way toward home in Palau and the ship, waiting as we had left her, three months previously. Our time stateside had come to an end for now. My mind could find little rest, considering loved ones left behind in Tennessee, Arkansas and Texas and the hundreds of friends we weren't able to see during our summer travel. By God's grace, we managed to avoid contracting the covid-19 virus but the better part of wisdom for us as the summer surge in cases ensued, was to postpone numerous appointments. I don't like to speak of this as cancellations, for surely as the virus continues a downward trend, we will come again within a few months and not only catch up on those postponements, but add many more!

Having returned now to the ship, we will continue the efforts with our local mission congregation here at the marina. I am grateful for the faithfulness of our folks and for the able leadership of our assistant, Jhobert Lastimozo. We hope as the months pass from now to the end of the year that our number will increase. Palau apparently had its first cases of the virus while we were away but with strict and wise mitigation efforts in place, the islands are now safe again. Ongoing scrutiny of all arriving travelers should isolate potential virus threats. We are still unable to travel to foreign ports in the region. This should change however, as time passes and the new year comes. We have ample work to do between now and then, in personal ministry among these islands.

Essentially, it's good to be home. We are happy and healthy. Our hearts are overjoyed at the many ways you have encouraged us. Your prayers and generosity are deeply appreciated. Summer, Juli and I thank you all who have prayed for us and have assisted us in any way. Thanks to your generosity, equipment for the ship and materiel for the ministry will soon be on the way here in a freight container. It is somewhat delayed due to Hurricane Ida that hit New Orleans. The forwarding agency we use is located there and sustained damages from the storm. We will update you all as we have more information.

God bless! —Glen, Summer & Juli

"Sunrise Over Malakal Island" —Summer Knight, September 2021

Helpers in the Work



Setting up our exhibit in Charleston, WV was an easy task with the assistance of our brothers, Rick Ferris and sidekick, Michael Driggers!

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It was great fun, indeed to have part of our family with us during the ABA messenger meeting in June. At our exhibit are Jenny and Mark, Nathan and Rhoda, along with Summer, Juli and me.

We congratulate Mark as the new Editor-in-Chief of Bogard Press Publications!

Pastor Barry Carter of South Crossett Missionary Baptist Church in Crossett, Arkansas has been a good friend since the time he was a teenager, playing football in Warren, Arkansas. I reckon that puts a date on me! I have loved the Carter Family through many years as we served together in the Judson Association. Brother Barry and the South Crossett Church have proven to be among the greatest of helpers in the work of Remote Island Ministries not just now but for a long time. Thanks to the church, we're able to furnish important equipment for the work and get the container underway!



Many of you will recognize our great helper, Brother Joel Meredith, featured with me at the warehouse of Worldwide Literature and Missionary Supply in Hamburg, Arkansas. We've prepared another container shipment and will get it underway in mid to late September. Please pray for Joey and his family. Thanks!



The photo to the right features Shannon Driggers and his brother, Michael. The Driggers family of our sending church, Victory Baptist in Sherwood, Arkansas has been dear to us for many years. It was such a joy to spend the week in Charleston with two of the brothers who helped us immensely and kept us entertained at the same time!

If you were able to visit our booth at the ABA meeting, we're so grateful that you stopped by. It would be our pleasure to communicate with you. Please send us a note at glen@rimnativa.com or find us on [Facebook](#).



The photo to the left features another of our helpers, Pastor Larry Albritton of Good Shepherd Baptist Church, Shepherd, Texas. He and his wife Vickie are such dear friends to us as are also the members of the church. Thank you all so much for your love and assistance in so many ways!



"I have never felt alone in the work as a missionary. To be sure, there were many times when I had no companion. But to be truly alone? No. For you see, behind me there is a host of those who pray. And beside me are the angels. And before me is my Lord. How can I ever feel alone?" —g. knight

More Helpers and More Reasons to Serve



For many years, Pastor W.A. Dillard and Fish Ministry, have been helpers in our work overseas. The latest assistance given REMOTE ISLAND MINISTRIES comes in the form of audio Bibles in the Bahasa Indonesian Language. These have been purchased and delivered to the warehouse in Hamburg, Arkansas for shipment to us in September. We have an immediate need for these Bahasa Bibles here in Port Koror.

Brother Dillard is in a battle for his life at present. Please pray for him, for his wife, Laura and for all their family as they await the outcome of necessary surgery and further treatment through weeks ahead.

A tremendous gift has been given to the missionary ship, RIM NATIVA. The photo you see at the right is a crate that holds a new Phasor Marine, 30KW generator. This comes by way of an anonymous friend and his wife who made the complete purchase and paid the shipping for the generator. Once installed, this unit will serve the ship well for years to come. The typhoon that we experienced back in April, destroyed the Powertech Generator that we had as our main power unit. We're still struggling at present to keep our backup unit working so we have shipboard power. This will be rectified with the new set.



The young men flanking me in this photo are Landon and Brandon Aydlett. They are meteorologists with the National Weather Service in Guam and are often in contact with us on the ship, advising of weather and sea conditions. Their service is vital, especially as we voyage across the Western Pacific Ocean. Meeting up with them in Guam recently was a highlight of our summer!

The children's Bible story books shown in this photo were recently purchased with a memorial offering from friends of ours in Arkansas, given in honor of their daughter. They are a part of the cargo that now lays at the Hamburg, Arkansas warehouse of Worldwide Literature and Missionary Supply. Once they arrive here, we will apply a memorial note inside each book and then place them carefully in hands of parents who will read to their children. There is a simple Bible story for each day of the year. We pray those children who hear and their parents who read will come to know The Lord Jesus.



"What we remember from the past, the joys and sorrows, the successes and failures, the chances taken, the opportunities lost, all form for us what we call, life. Today is important to be lived to the most possible. While there are many things to fear, they should never be such that cause us to stop living. Press onward. See what lies over your next horizon." Memoirs... —g. knight



Each time we come home, this little helper has grown even more. And she grows dearer to our hearts through the years. Kaitlyn Kelly is our special crew member of the sailing ship, RIM NATIVA!

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Our young friend, Chapel Williams visited the exhibit at the ABA meeting. Here, Summer is showing her some special things about the work. Thanks for stopping by, Chapel!

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It amazes me how the children care for each other on these islands. In many cases, parents are working the taro fields or fishing and the children are left to watch over each other. This little girl is taking care of her younger brother. It's a tender sight to see!

...Reaching people on the edge!



*A child of Pulo Ana Island with his new flipflops.
Look carefully at the new Bibles laying on the table and in the hammock.*

Closing thought: "It's all a part of it!"

—Glen Knight

I would be less than honest if I didn't tell you that it's not easy to carry on this missionary effort. There are times when we reach the end of our strength and wonder if we can continue. Hot days and long nights, storms on the sea and in the harbor, difficult regulations and often, even more difficult officials, all make this work tedious, to say the least! But long ago, we made the commitment to serve our Lord in this way and it wasn't contingent upon having an easy go of things. God's people are made to do the hard stuff. And when we look around at the lives that are blessed by what we do, we acknowledge that the effort is worth the cost. It's all a part of it!



"Rain fell in a steady downpour, observed from our bed through the small portlight as I lay, attempting to sleep. The sea current slid past the hull of the ship making a bubbling sound and robbing me of much needed rest. I can't help but be a little on edge. Praying. Trusting that the rain would soon stop and the wind would lay. Watching. And it did stop. And I slept." —G. Knight