

Remote Island Ministries

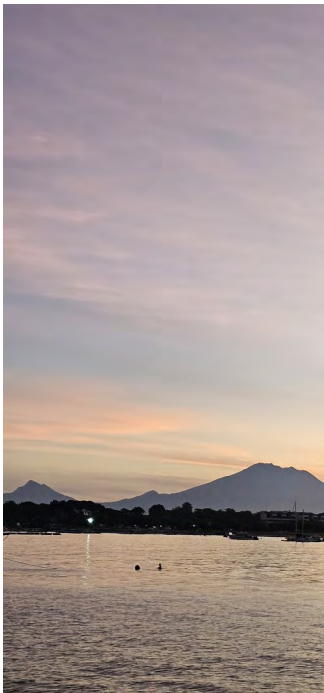
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Ship's Log: 8.6705 S; 115.2126 E

—Glen Knight

They say, "The sky is the limit" and as familiar as that cliché is, in a very real sense, we may question its veracity. In our modern age, we've begun to understand more of what lies beyond the sky as we see it, and to fathom its depths, is overwhelming. Admittedly, I don't understand even the closest objects to our earth, much less those far beyond. It boggles the mind to consider such. But I do study the sky that is near enough to see and with the knowledge gained, I can plot courses and estimate times of departure for the ship's sailing. The sky speaks of things coming and of that which has passed. It is as a window through which we look to understand our situation in the world around us. The old sailor's proverb is: "Red sky at night, sailor's delight; Red sky at morning, sailor, take warning." It's actually a rendering of what Jesus said, (Matthew 16:2-3). And He spoke it as a caution to a failure of understanding the times of our lives. I think the tendency today is to ignore the immediate circumstances surrounding our societies. Perhaps the focus is too far afield—like, looking at the stars but ignoring earth's clouds. For example, when navigating in Indonesia, it does little good to understand what the weather is doing in Texas. Not that there is no concern, but it doesn't affect us immediately. Paying attention to what is close is more important.

So, look at your life and that of your family, church and community. With all that is happening across the nation and around the world, the greatest difference that we can make is always close to home. Let's keep a "weather eye" on our horizons and steer a straight course for eternity. Others will follow in our wake!

—Glen & Summer Knight

Remote Island Ministries, Indo-Pacific



Our Hindu companion, Sugiantara, said farewell as we left the airport, bound for the USA.

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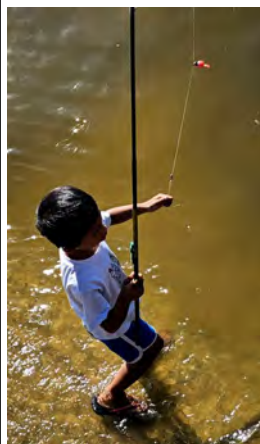


Our friends, Rich and Cyndi sailing their vessel, LEGACY, leaving the harbor for places far away. We pray to meet again out there, somewhere!

Ministry Scenes...

The children on passing boats are always curious to learn of our purpose in sailing their waters. We keep plenty of things on hand for the kids—clothing, food, toys, but most importantly, Bible story books in their language that they may practice their reading. The little ones in this photograph are two of the children of our friend who often visits the ship, bringing fresh water. We have ministered to this family for a year now and will continue. As the opportunities arise, we will carry on with them in hopes of leading the entire family to a true understanding of life and eternity. This is challenging, but The Lord will open their hearts, so we keep doing our part.

Photos like this are difficult for us to capture and are done so only by permission of the parents. Please pray with us for these little ones and so many others like them.



One of the young boys who often fishes near the jetty where we land our shore craft, holds his new rod and reel, ready to cast a line into the water. Fish are numerous around the docks and no doubt, he caught what his family needed for food. There are always children such as this one, either fishing or playing in the water. We provide water toys and fishing equipment which helps to establish friendly relationships with them and their parents. The obvious goal of doing such is to share God's love with them. Only when confidence has been established, will they open themselves to deeper discussions of earthly life and that which follows.

He is known to us as "Babba Jalan" and is a friend whom we've come to love deeply. He serves the anchorage in Serangan Island Harbor as a water taxi driver. It is not at all odd that such a man would become dear to our hearts. We have aided him and his family in many ways as he, in turn, shows great kindness and acceptance toward us and the missionary ship. His expression here in the photograph is a sincere gesture of his gratitude.



"The ship; the ports of call; the distant and remote islands between; the people we meet on passage and those we discover upon arrival; those we grow to love; the Good Word we offer them; the laughter we share; the tears we shed; the fond farewells and dreams in the night that follow; new sunrises that greet us; the sunsets; the stars at night; the good sleep and the fitful; the quiet words and unspoken thoughts. All this is our life." —gk

Returning Stateside!

Pastor Nick Lewis of First MBC, Fresno, California hosted us May 15-28 during the church's annual Mission Revival and beyond. Our hearts are touched by the kindness of the folks at First MBC and Clovis MBC, Clovis, as we shared with both churches during the week. The folks at First MBC made it possible for us to return stateside this year and attend the annual meeting of the ABA. It was good to see some of the brethren from other of the California churches while we were there, particularly, Rose Marie Chambers and Debbie Hurd. Many thanks go to Amanda Lewis for her kindness and love!



Pastor Russell Bailey of Clovis MBC, Clovis, California, hosted us on May 27th for a day of worship, fellowship and ministry sharing. The brethren of Clovis church have been a great help through the years, sending mission teams to help in various ways, even during construction of the missionary sailing ship. Attending and speaking during the classic car rally at the church, was a highlight of the weekend.



The weekend of June 8th was spent with our sending church, Victory Baptist in Sherwood, Arkansas. It is always our joy to be back at the home church and to share with the folks. On Sunday, there were many of our dear friends from years past at Beech Grove MBC in Fordyce who attended as well as several of my Knight family members from the area. I love you all!



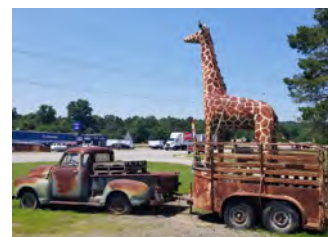
A rare occasion on this stateside visit, presented itself in the opportunity to visit with two life-long friends from our days in Gould, Arkansas. The photo shows Ben Brown, Mike Rogers and me during an afternoon visit in Mike and Joann's home in Mountain View, Arkansas after more than 50 years apart!

"How does God prepare His servants for work they must do? It begins long before ever being imagined in our hearts. God knows every step we will take; He knows who we will meet along the way; And He uses those steps, and those people to make us who we will be for His glory." —Friends, gk



Leaving the ship is a difficult thing to do. She remains in the care of the crew and we pray all goes well. Photo taken upon our departure, May 15, 2025.

"Our hearts are touched by their kindness."



Traveling American roads, one never knows what may be encountered! Here is a fine example from Clinton, Arkansas. The giraffe is a metal sculpture someone has cleverly placed in the horse trailer behind the vintage Ford pickup. I love shooting photos of eclectic stuff and this is a great creation!

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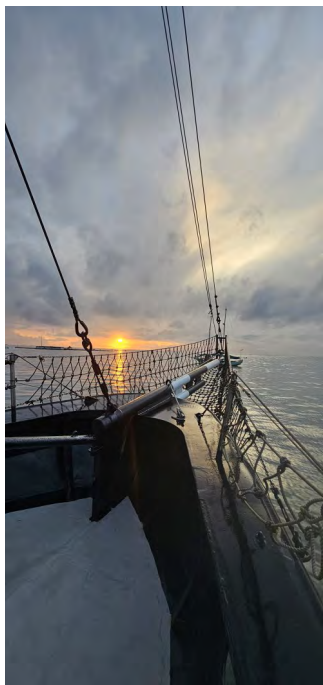
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...Reaching people on the edge!



"Peaceful Harbor"

Serangan Harbor in Port Benoa has become our supply point, providing a safe anchorage and ample access to necessary materials and services for the ship and our family. The scene here is in the early evening, late in May.

Closing thoughts: The Path ahead...

—Glen Knight

Typically, age makes all the difference in moving forward in life. I am thankful that that factor hasn't affected me much to this time. This summer marks my 51st year in ministry and the 32nd year of mission work, overseas. Victory Baptist Church in Sherwood, Arkansas has been my sending church for 29 of those years. By God's grace, I am still strong at nearly 71 years of age. The path ahead will stretch far beyond our nearest horizons and with great excitement, we embrace every challenge and opportunity to labor for The Almighty in the southern oceans.

Many thanks go to the churches of the American Baptist Association for standing with us through all these years. May God be praised for all He has done!



"Can't you see it?", he questioned. "Where?", I asked. "Just there.", he replied. But I couldn't see it, at least for another hour. Then finally, it came into sight—an island on the horizon. "But, how could you see before it actually appeared?", I asked. "It is in my mind. And my heart told me we were near. It's my home, you know." —An Islander's View, from Memoirs of a Missionary, gk