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Dear Pastor & Church Family,

"The earth *is* the LORD'S, and the fulness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein." **Psalm 24:1**

This last month of June has been a reminder and a challenge to me of what belongs to God and what He can do with it. I would like to share this same thing with you. In early June, my wife and I were able to go to Guam to help with

some of the aftermath of typhoon Mawar. I was originally invited to preach at a graduation long before Mawar ever came. I had prayed about it and God said, "Yes" about me going. After Mawar devastated Guam and most of the island being without power and running water, I questioned whether I should still go or even if I should bring my family. Yet, God still said go. So, Amanda, Makenna, and I got tickets and worked hard to get a place to stay while there. My 2 oldest girls, Melody & Moriah stayed in Saipan with my parents.

My parents are still on island as my dad, Terry McClure, is still dealing with doctors and his health but is now on a new medication that seems to be working better. The doctor is giving him 3 months to see how this medication affects him before giving him permission to fly. Thank you for your prayers on this regard. We are also praying that in God's timing my dad will heal and be able to return to Palau to continue working with the church there until then we are very thankful for the hard work he is putting in here.

After, finding a place to stay and a rental car we thought we were all set to go to Guam but then the place we were going to stay cancelled. So, we found another and then another as both of those cancelled on us, as well. I was a little concerned that the three of us would have to sleep in a hammock on the beach for the duration of our trip. It was growing my faith just to follow God's direction in this area. My wife reminded me that we prayed about it and God will provide even if we don't see it. FAITH!!!

Well, God did. As He always does, He provided. When we landed in Guam, another pastor graciously invited us to stay in his home with his family even though they did not have power. We humbly accepted and the rest of the day was filled with driving and talking with different missionaries to see how they were doing

and how we could help and let them know that we were praying for them. Later that evening the power came on at the pastor's house that invited us to stay with them. Wow, God is working! Later, I asked the pastor why he would welcome my family into his home when he didn't know us and his answer taught me a good lesson that all Christians should learn and live.

The pastor said, "Missionaries have a mindset with all their possessions and that is 'How can I use this for God?'" The pastor continued to say, "I have always had my stuff and the church stuff but I need to have more of a missionary's mindset, that is to say, 'God's stuff."

Wow, God was using me in ways I didn't even realize by simply taking what I had and going to those who have a need. I was humbled even more and yet at the same time jumping for joy that God was working. Please pray for your missionaries and pastor as they let God use them for His glory. In addition, pray for each other that you too will have the mindset of a steward that is taking care of God's stuff.

"Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven." **Matthew 5:16**

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