

the BOYLSTON family

MISSIONARIES TO THE ISLAND OF POHNPEI

Thank you for all of your faithful prayers for us as we made the move to Pohnpei. Due to bad weather, our leg out of Charlotte to DC was delayed then skipped. After a layover in San Francisco and a ten hour layover in Hawaii, we arrived at Pohnpei 46 hours later. It is such a blessing to finally be back where our hearts have been and we are excited about what the Lord has for us here.

We were blessed to stay temporarily with the Arthurs, fellow WWNTBM missionaries, at the radio station while our container was still in transit. When our container arrived, we were told we had not paid for its transportation cost and they would not release it even though we had paid two months earlier. After a week of emails and phone calls the matter was resolved and we were able to move into our apartment. Few houses have screens or glass windows and ours was no exception. Khloe' won the prize for the most mosquito bites with Christa's count of around 90. Needless to say, I was at the hardware store quickly and was able to put up screen over the windows which has helped drastically.

While most things have remained the same as our last time here, several things have changed. In particular, on our survey trip I only saw two Mormons in our almost two week stay. One of our first days back I saw around ten, and sadly it usually is a daily occurrence to see them out propagating this falsehood.

One of the first lessons to learn in Pohnpei is, "Don't stand (or park) under a coconut tree." There is a tendency to head for shade because of the heat, but coconuts randomly fall and it is very common to see people driving cars down the road that have coconut craters in their windshields.

Moving in and unpacking has taken up most of our time this first month, but among other things I have been able to go on visitation, attend a funeral, observe a Bible Institute class, preach a couple times at Ambassador Baptist Church, and speak at a school. It has amazed me how much time is spent simply running errands. There is no one stop "Walmart" here. One day Christa and I spent most of a morning going from store to store trying to find flour which no one ended up having; so we had to wait a couple days for the next shipment to come in on the boat to get some.

Our focus now is to learn the language. Currently, there is not a class going on that we can take and no tutor available, but we were told that the upcoming summer should have a class. Please pray that God will open up our minds, ears, and understanding to be able to learn the language fluently. Thanks again for your faithful support and prayers.

The Boylstons



Praise

- *Increased support
- *Safe travel and smooth transition
- *Opportunity to see friends during layover

Prayer

- *Ambassador Baptist Church and Bible Institute
- *Possibility of moving closer to our church
- *Continued adjustment to climate and culture
- *Ability to learn the language fluently

Family

- Kyle is happy to be able to say he has eaten raw fish.
- Kody awoke the first morning to a big gecko crawling on his leg.
- Kaleb really enjoys swimming in the ocean at Nett Point
- Kierra loves most local produce - especially the bananas and kangkong - a vine that she thinks tastes like asparagus
- Khloe' loves living here. The church people say she will be a serepein Pohnpei (Pohnpeian girl) in no time.

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