

# THE FAAFOUINA FAMILY

## SERVING OUR SAVIOR IN SAMOA



### December 2021 Report

Dear Prayer Partner,

Praise the Lord for His merciful goodness and bountiful blessings to our family, not only throughout this year, but also throughout our entire time of furlough. For this last prayer letter of 2021, we thought it would be a good time to review what the Lord has done for us as we have been in this period of waiting to get back to the field. While we are still essentially “stuck” in the U.S., God has worked what we would consider to be miraculous events in our lives and ministry. Please allow us to share a few of those things with you here.

First of all, Pene was able to get the needed treatment for his accident and has fully recovered his strength and mobility. Every penny of the doctor and dentist bills have been paid, and very little of that came out of our own pockets. We are thankful to have been a part of Samaritan Ministries to help us with that medical need!

Next, it has been a blessing to be able to be with Robyn’s family in what ended up being the last year of her grandmother’s life on this earth. It was difficult to watch her struggle, but what a great joy to know that we were here to help with her care and spend precious time with her before she went on to be with her Savior!

Our next biggest blessing has been the process to get Pene’s citizenship. It has been a trial throughout our ministry to keep up his Green Card status by traveling back and forth to Hawaii every year we’ve been in Samoa. The first lawyer we visited told us we couldn’t even apply until the end of 2022! We praise the Lord that the second lawyer we visited knew laws specific to missionaries which enabled us to apply this year! We were told to expect it to take 13 months from June, but the Lord saw to it that Pene’s case was moved quickly through the proper channels and he was able to officially take his oath and be naturalized as a U.S. citizen on the 12th of November! What a mighty God we serve!

Finally, just a week before Pene took his oath, we were able to secure our spots in New Zealand’s managed isolation/quarantine system and have booked our tickets to fly to Auckland, New Zealand on February 23, 2022. We will be doing ministry there until we can freely get into Samoa to organize the ordination ceremonies for Malaki and Laau, and formally turn the work over to their leadership. Currently, only citizens are able to return and the conditions to enter the country are a bit complex.

We are grateful to you, our prayer and financial supporters, for your faithfulness to keep our family in your prayers and for your encouragement for us to keep on serving the Lord for this next term. As we are about to leave for the field, we are counting on your continued support to help us accomplish the new task God has called us to do. We haven’t been able to be with all of our supporting churches, nor have we been able to travel as much in order to seek out additional support, but hope you know that we will continue to do our best to serve our Savior and reach our beloved Samoan people and any others God brings us to both in Samoa and New Zealand.

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