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WE HAVE A NEW ADDITION TO THE FAMILY JONATHAN DAVID MCCLURE



I uttered an earnest prayer, "Lord, please take care of my wife and son." as the nurse wheeled her to the operating room for an emergency caesarian section. It would be one of the longest day of my life. I rushed her to the hospital early in the morning after her water broke. I nervously stood by her and witnessed as she cringed with every contraction. We thought reading books and listening to friends and family could fully prepare us for childbirth but the actual experience is uniquely indescribable. I tried to remain calm the whole time, performing the role as most husbands do: reminding her how to breathe and letting her squeeze the life out of my hands. My wife had a healthy pregnancy with no complications so we planned for a normal delivery. However, after 17 hours of active labor and the baby's head was still not in the right position, the doctor deemed it necessary for my wife to undergo an emergency C-section.



We went to Saipan, which is a neighboring island, to help my grandparents in the ministry since my grandfather was in immediate need to go back to the States and have surgery on his knee. It is clear now that there was more than one reason why God led us to Saipan. I thank the Lord for His guidance and constant watch care over us. You see, the hospital system in Palau is not advanced or some would say it is somewhat "primitive" compared to most countries. Looking back, it could have been extremely dangerous if we would of had the baby in Palau given the same scenario, but God graciously worked it all out.

We decided to name our firstborn son Jonathan David McClure. Jonathan which means "God has given" and David after my grandfather. Please keep us in your prayers as new parents and also as we take over the work for my grandfather here in Saipan, Micronesia.



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