

Pray For The Claypools

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*"For precept must be upon precept, precept upon precept, line upon line, line upon line,
here a little there a little" - Isaiah 28:9-10*

Dear Praying Friends and Family,

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We are back home again on the islands, just in time for the beginning of the rainy season. The temperatures have been a bit chilly, still hovering in the low 70s, but the increased humidity has been a real blessing.

The Lord blessed so much during our time in the States, and though there were challenges along the way, we were richly blessed as we saw His hand move in many amazing ways. The hardest part was allowing Him to move in His way and in His time. Our God is so patient with us and we are so thankful that He is.

The last couple of months were spent packing, organizing and preparing for Morgan to stay behind. However, during it all the Lord helped us not to be idle. During our furlough times we always face a drop in activity as we are constantly in other people's houses and life routines, but, apart from our normal travels, the Lord also opened up opportunities for preaching, substituting in Sunday School classes, making church visits and shortly before returning we were also able to participate in a soul-winning booth at a local festival working with the Amazing Grace Missions. It was a great close to our furlough time.

As mentioned above, our eldest daughter Morgan remained in the States to continue with the next phase that God has for her life. She is living with Amanda's father, which is a blessing, and working at our home church helping in the Christian school. It was encouraging to see the Lord pave the way for her staying behind. It is difficult enough allowing your children to continue on to their next phase of life, but knowing that the same Lord that has taken care of us, is continuing to do the same for her in our absence helps to ameliorate the loss. Her place will be missed, but we know that she is where the Lord wants her to be and that is exactly where she needs to be.

Thank you all for your prayers for the Otóto church during our absence. The attendance had dropped to the point that they were no longer meeting regularly for church services. However, we had a great first Sunday with a good number of people present. We do ask for continued prayer though, as we work to re-establish church times, and old patterns, while at the same time contemplating new steps.

With the new church building there are brand new opportunities before us and we need God's clear and distinct direction to know which way to move first. It is one of those situation where there doesn't seem to be any "wrong" moves. But we know that God has a plan and a way established and we want to make sure that whatever move we make it follows His pathway.

Things may take a bit longer here, but we are excited about the possibilities. Please continue praying for open hearts for the gospel as well as for believers. We often focus on the new believers, but the truth is that spiritual development and maturity also carry their own type of growing pains. The devil is active, not just in stopping new converts, but also trying to impede God's children from following His will and seeing His work become a reality in their own lives. Again and again we are reminded and lift up His name in praise that: Greater is He that is in you than he that is in the world!

Once again we end with a sincere word of gratitude and appreciation for your continued faithfulness and support. May God give us all grace to labor on in the field He has given us to work.

Your Servants For His Service,

Doug + Amanda Claypool

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