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missionaries in the philippines



June to August 2023 Prayer Letter

The Power of a Testimony

A man named Roberto recently was saved and baptized. This was not a random moment, but the culmination of the many years of prayer and patience. Roberto was a well-known drug user, and a bit of a wild man when he was drunk. It was all he knew, as he was simply repeating the cycle of the way he grew up. Everything changed though when his daughter was saved. She was married to a godly man named Samuel here in our church in Cebu. The family would attend church every Sunday, and go soul winning together. So, naturally, the father, Roberto, was curious. He finally did come to church and was miraculously saved! He stopped his drug use and alcohol abuse immediately, and actually grew sick from withdrawals as those chemicals had ran through his body for years. His old friend, named Jojo, was curious and went to check up on him.

The Power of the Gospel

Jojo arrived at the house of Roberto and began to immediately know that this was not the same man that he had previously done drugs together with in the past. This was a new man! Jojo asked him to share what happened to him, and Roberto obliged by sharing the gospel! Roberto brought Jojo to church and he too was saved! What a wonderful thing that was happening here in Cebu.

However, the story had only just begun. A few weeks after Jojo was saved, he joined Roberto and the other church men on the jail ministry evangelism team. God began to work on his heart as he confessed to me that he was still on the run and that he still had a warrant out for his arrest. He confessed it to the church, how that even though he was saved, he had to pay the consequences for his previous lifestyle. Just before surrendering to the police we had the men pray over him and we trained him to conduct Bible studies inside the jail. He is the only prisoner now behind bars, smiling, and at peace. He has peace with God and is sharing with other inmates about that same peace he has found in Christ! This is what the Bible teaches in Romans 14:17, *"For the kingdom of God is not meat and drink; but righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost."* Keep sharing the gospel, it is the only hope the world has for peace!

Coming up on 1 Year Anniversary of the New Church-Plant

The new church plant is doing well. We had a revival service for three nights in a row on August 16-18, and saw a precious soul saved. His name is Tingting, a father of three. He is now attending all services and undergoing discipleship. Please, pray for his spiritual growth.

I was able to preach the first night about "Set Thine House in Order." The church there is also praying for a better property for the church as the one we are currently on may have safety issues in regards to the communists who live in the mountains just beyond the barrio. We did have one scary moment when we were threatened via text to give money in exchange for safety. The police took a record, and it looks like everything is good for now, but keep praying for God's blessing and the safety of the mission team there.

Prayer Requests

- Pray for my wife's visa situation, as we are holding off scheduling for furlough until we have more solid dates as to when we can get her visa.
- Pray for the Bible college. We are growing and need more space, and more dormitory rooms, we can use the classrooms for Sunday school on Sundays.
- We are only about \$40,000 away from paying off the church property! We thank the Lord for His provision, and trust He will provide the rest of the way.
- God is blessing our Children's Literacy School ministry (BLESS). We are catering to the poor children as a tool to reach whole families with the Gospel.

Your missionaries,
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Frank has been a BIMl missionary since 2009. He and Japhia were married December 30, 2021. Japhia is in application for approval in June 2023.

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