

## 2025 Update Letter: November - December

**And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, ...)**  
**John 1:14**

**Dear Pastors & Praying Friends,**

**A Blessed New Year to each of you!**

It is hard to believe that another year is coming to an end. We pray that each of you had a very Merry CHRISTmas, with family and friends, celebrating the birth of our Saviour. We are grateful for all that God has done and accomplished in 2025. Thank you, also, to each of you, for your faithful partnership! Praise the Lord for many souls that abound to your account!

**Missions Conference...** The most important business meeting of the year is the Faith Promise Missions Conference. With three new missionary families and strong Biblical preaching, we praise the Lord for the decisions made and the 40% increase in commitments this year.

**Thanksgiving...** Each year we celebrate with a free meal for our members and visitors, averaging about 100 individuals. We enjoy preparing the stuffing and mashed potatoes, which is served with chicken instead of turkey. Filipinos love rice, but none is served. They have learned to enjoy the potatoes, consuming 10 kilos of mashed potatoes. The greatest part is hearing testimonies of how God has transformed many lives.

**Academy Christmas Program...** We are very thankful for a great school Christmas program. The singing of the kids, and the drama of It's a Peanut Butter Christmas were all very well done. The greatest part, was over a dozen people standing to receive Christ as their Saviour, after the Gospel was shared.



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**Baptisms...** Chester and Zel both followed the Lord in baptism. Chris also had the privilege of officiating their wedding in December. Please pray for this new couple as they work overseas.

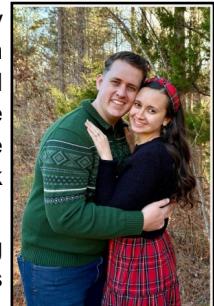


**Weddings and Funerals...** Over the past two months Chris has officiated two wedding and three funerals. Praise the Lord that in all three funerals, and one wedding, there were individuals who made professions of faith. One funeral was for a fourteen year old student of our public school ministry. All of us involved in the public school ministry used the girls passing as an opportunity to again share the Gospel. Several students prayed to receive Christ.

**Family...**

**Chris & Ivy...** We are doing well and are thankful for our health and God's sustaining grace through 2025. By God's grace the ministry continues to grow. Please pray for us, and with us, as we pray for wisdom in beginning a new mission work in 2026.

**Zeth & Kaitlin...** They continue faithfully serving the Lord at Faith Bible Baptist Church in Michigan. Kaitlin enjoys teaching Highschool English as Zeth has many responsibilities in the church and school. They both are thankful for the opportunity to lead the youth and to see God work in the lives of the young people.



**Andrew...** He is doing well and still living in Pensacola. He changed jobs this year and is now working at Navy Federal Credit Union.

**Prayer requests...**

- More souls to be saved, baptized, and discipled in 2026, including our Academy students and Parents.
- Pray with us about beginning a new mission work in 2026.
- Pray for stability in our staffing for the school
- Spiritual growth and a surrendered servant spirit in our people

Thank you for praying for our family and faithfully partnering with us to reach the Philippines with the Gospel. Thank you, also, for all of the Christmas Gifts. We greatly appreciate each of you.

Christopher & Ivy Hurst.

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