



Christ for the Philippines Mission



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Greetings to you in the Name that is above every name of our Lord Jesus Christ. We would like to thank all of our supporters for the faith and trust you've put in this noble ministry. After nearly three years of deputation, we finally finished out by attending the missions conference at our home church, Lighthouse Baptist Church of Brooksville, FL.

After this we attended one more Sunday at our home church, where I preached the evening service. That was a great day, in the morning I had the awesome privilege of leading a 22 year old young man to the Lord named Stephen, who has been faithfully attending services and soul-winning outings ever since. Praise the Lord!

Then on Tuesday, Feb. 25 our pastor, his family, my family and other brethren from our church accompanied us to Tampa International Airport to see us off for our journey to the Philippines. It was a 28 hour trip, my sixth trip to the Philippines, and the best one I've had so far. We witnessed to several people along the way and found many born again brethren everywhere we went. From Tampa to New York to Shanghai to Manila. Americans, Chinese, Filipinos. It was like God had placed all these brethren in our path to let us know we were on His track and on His time.

We were able to attain 85% of our support goal. We still need a few more churches to come on board with monthly support. But we left according to God's leading and are depending on Him to supply all of our need. Please continue to pray for us in this regard as the dollar declines, the third world always takes the biggest hits.

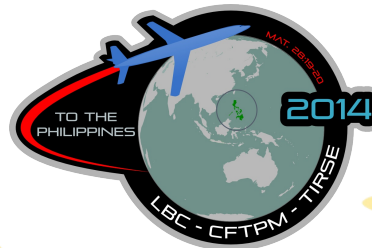
These first few months will be an adjustment period, especially in light of Typhoon Yolanda (Haiyan), our ministry being involved in the continuing relief effort there. Also because of the destruction there in our specific mission field of Leyte, housing may be scarce and finding a place to live may take a little longer and/or be more difficult than normal. To this end there will be a time of surveying the area again to find the place with the greatest immediate need of the gospel and following God's leading on where to begin. The need for the gospel is everywhere, so this will be tough, please keep us and the island of Leyte in your prayers.

Here are some highlights from the last two months:

- Knocked on over 200 doors giving out the gospel and had several soul talks with folks about their eternity
- Had the opportunity to see six souls saved in our ministry through the preaching or personal soul winning.
- Finally made it to our mission field, landed Thursday Feb. 27th

Prayer Requests:

- For precious Filipino souls to be saved in abundance
- For several more churches to take us on for monthly support
- For our house to be sold/paid off so we can be free from it



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To The Philippines!

We landed in Manila on Thursday, February 27th at 3:40am local time after about 28 or so hours travel time. It was a great trip, the best I ever had coming here. My wife and I have a lot of fun

traveling together, we always find a lot to laugh at. It's kind of surreal, it's hard believe we're finally here. I've been dreaming of this for over ten years. Now comes a busy time, though. Running around getting our immigration taken care of, getting licensed and insured, finding a place to stay, etc., etc. Wow, what an exciting time! I'm looking forward to seeing what God is going to do!

Ministry Vehicle

By the grace of our extraordinary and bountiful God, not only did He meet the goal set for our ministry vehicle fund, He exceeded it. We were able to find a good deal on a big 4x4 diesel SUV that will be perfect for our needs in getting supplies to the people of Leyte and also can seat 10 passengers. I posted some pictures on our Facebook account. Thank you to all those who gave toward this soul winning, gospel-spreading missionary vehicle.

I had a mechanic check it out and replace some minor parts like bushings, stronger transfer case mounts, had it tuned up, replaced the fluids and filters and ready to go to the painters. I plan to have it painted white and add our ministry seal (top left of this newsletter) to the sides. This will be done while I'm out at sea on the missionary ship helping in the construction of a church building and dispensing relief goods, medical supplies, water filters and the gospel to the devastated areas of Leyte and Samar.

I have had the help of one of the church members of Faith Baptist Church in Davao, under the leadership of Bro. Glenn Knight, in getting this vehicle, doing all the paperwork and getting my Philippine drivers license. Thank God for the love and help of God's precious people. I look forward to getting to our island of Leyte in a couple of months to begin the church planting after these disaster relief voyages. Please keep me in prayer as the next few weeks will be a time of much learning for me. Don't think for a second that Satan has not attacked us yet, because he has. Just please keep us in your fervent prayers. You do know that prayer works, right? May God bless you richly for your faithful prayers, giving and love for us and for the Filipino people. It is an honor to be your missionary here.

Yours for souls because of Jesus Christ,

Tony Tirse - Mat. 28:6

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