

from the PHILIPPINES

"JESUS is the REASON"



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Blessed Christmas and New Year

Aug, Sept, Oct, Nov 2019

Dear Pastor Largent and Church,

Again we need to apologize for the lateness of this prayer letter. We emailed everyone in September and hope that all received the email. We shared with you that I had a heart attack on my 72nd birthday, August 27. Praise the Lord it was not severe. I also had pneumonia and so was in the hospital for over a week. Most of it in ICU. My doctor was very cautious and told me not to lift ANYTHING and to not encounter any stress. HaHa. She also thought it important that I go to a bigger city in the Philippines to have an angiogram in case there was other blockage to be cared for. Given we had no insurance and one stent alone cost P100,000, (\$2000) not counting the time in hospital and cost of the procedure, travel and lodging for Gaylene we decided to go to the states. I am eligible for VA medical as well as Medicare, so we opted to go to the states. After much process with VA and then a private Heart Dr I had 2 stents put in 2 arteries that were 80% blocked. Praising the Lord that finally I was able to get it done. For over 3 years I have suffered with a VERY fast heart rate. It is like running a marathon. A doctor treated me with a certain medication that proved to work very well, but prior to the treatment for the heart blockage the doctor changed my meds. However it did nothing for the heart rate and for several weeks I had around 100-120 heart rate. Finally I got into see a Electrophysiologist who prescribed just the right meds. It has been great. Feeling so much better, I over did it and pulled a muscle in my back and I am still in recovery for that. For those of you that knew about my heart attack I want to thank you so very much for your prayers.

We mentioned that the time we were in the states just a couple months before the heart attack that Gaylene got her much needed voice shot. Well it did not take effect but since we are here again she was able to get it again and it appears to be working.

Not knowing how long it would take in the states we got return tickets for the end of February. I still have some followup stuff and heart rehab. Pray that all of this medical stuff will be resolved by that time.

It is an honor and a precious blessing to serve the Lord as missionaries. As we were ready to leave for the states our church folk and some of our Bible College graduates honored us in such a special way. On their own they produced a video of the years of our ministry, had a special service, and gave us a plaque. Reflecting on this outpouring of love it was overwhelming to realize that so many of them had been with us almost from the beginning of our ministry, that some were only babies when we came and so many have been faithful and their has been such marvelous spiritual growth in their lives. We have seen 2nd generations saved raising their families for the Lord.

All the ministries we closely help and guide are doing well in our absence. Souls are being saved, the saved are getting baptized and many are being disciplined and are learning to be soulwinners themselves. It is hard to express the inner joy and rejoicing in our hearts for the opportunity to see the lives of our people going forward in a strong way for the Lord. So many spiritual children, grandchildren and even some greatgrandchildren and it so humbling that God allows us to be a part of it. We want to thank you for your faithfulness with your prayers and financial support all these years. God is a wonderful and great God.

For His Glory

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Thank you for your support

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