

MASON PRAYER LETTER

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The month of October faced us with some awesome challenges and opportunities to glorify and trust in our God and Savior Jesus Christ.

We mentioned in the last letter that we were waiting on the Immigration in the Philippines to assign us an appointment day for our visa processing. On the last week of September as we were cleaning at the church, the sister of the owner of our house came by and informed us that we needed to move within the next month. The owner of our house has been sick and needed his house back. Well, not much to do here except find another house. So now we had a new situation to arise. At the same time, we had been invited to attend a missions conference near Manila on the first week of October. So, quite challenging. Half of a week in Manila. Two weeks to find a house, work out the agreement, and move our things. General ministry responsibilities. It is the semester break of the youth. Then the last full week in October to prepare for the conference. Wow.

We began to pray that the Immigration would assign us an appointment for the first week in October. So that the visa would be finished. And praise the Lord, that Saturday night, we received an email stating that our appointment was the following Thursday. Now, the money. We left for our visa appointment with money for the trip only, trusting in God to provide when we needed it the remaining money for the visa. And we praise the Lord that the day before our appointment, God provided through our support the additional money we needed as well as fund to cover the additional cost we did not expect. We came home that Friday morning and began to look for a new home. There were only 2 vacant homes in Dumalneg, and 1 option in the next barangay of San Isidro. The one house in Dumalneg was not available. The house in San Isidro looked promising, but we eventually found out that the owner in Hawaii is having marital problems and is thinking about returning to the Philippines. The last

house and only house available was the one God choose for us.



And we praise the Lord for His provisions in the way. For the move we were praying that we would be able to move all our things and be in the house by Thursday the 19th. And God again answered this prayer. On Thursday we were able to move all of our things into the new house, clean the old house, return the key, and set up the bedrooms. And we praise the Lord for a beautiful rain free day. Because the following day until Monday it rained quite hard due to a storm passing through. As we look back, we praise him for strength, peace of mind, and even opportunities to share the gospel.

Many of our neighbors and others in our small community have been thinking that we were removed for other reasons. Many said to us, "Sayang ang pera ninyo!" All that money you put into the house has been wasted. And we were able to share with them that our Savior could return at any moment. He provided the money for everything we did, and it was done to glorify Him. We praise Him for the opportunity to serve Him.

We praise the Lord for the opportunity we have had to share the gospel with the teens on Saturday and on other days on the week. Our prayer is for open doors just to be able to open Gods word and show them Christ. And each time we have gone out, God had given us open doors, and we have been able to plant much seed. We are praying fervently for the time when God will allow the harvest to be reaped. We are still praying for several of the children. We are making sure that each lesson on Sunday morning has a salvation emphasis. Some have shown interest, but have not yet trusted in Christ. Please continue to pray for Manzio, for Ben, and for Jerry. We are praying faithfully for them and our enemy is also battling strongly.

Recently Amarie was able to talk to her father Manzio. She asked him if he believe that the dead leader of their group, the Lamplighters, was God. And he said, that God and "Father Tropa" are one. She responded and stated, "Dad, that is not true. God is not like us." Her standing for Christ has been a huge testimony.

We also praise the Lord for answered prayers for the construction of the church. We were able to add a few more walls at the beginning of the month. We knew we needed a good bit a backfill soil because of the slope of the ground. We also were not sure about the ground level outside the church for one of the doors. But, we praise the Lord that construction began a few weeks ago on the small road next to the church. That will show us the level outside the church. The soil that they dug up for construction of the road was given to us for the backfill. Answers to prayer again. We are still praying that we would be able to finish the roof before the end of the year.

Please continue to pray for health for the family. Kayla has been struggling with a cough for quite some time. She seems to get better and then the cough comes back when the weather cools down. Kristi had been taking vit D supplements to increase the very low levels in her body. She continue to struggle with energy and her bones and muscles seem to hurt constantly. Please pray for wisdom in these things.

Please also pray for me as I travel to Bulacan this coming Oct 29-Nov 2 for a missions conference. I would like to be a blessing to them and encourage the pastors in attendance as they reach their world for Christ.

Thank you so much for your prayers. We are continually grateful and honored for your faithfulness in this way. It is such a blessing to know that others are behind us, begging God for our various needs spiritually and physically. Please pray for souls.