

We thank you so much for all the prayers and messages that we have received over the past month. We are overwhelmed by your faithfulness in prayer for us.

At this time, there has been no conclusion of the whole matter with Francheska. However, we have seen how God has been working. The first meeting that the Sanggunian had was with the parents of Francheska, Martha- an older lady in the church, and Charley Mar and Emily. There were other mothers who were invited whose children attend church, but they decided not to attend. Mrs. Martha was questioned first and was able to share that because of her daughter, she started to read the Bible and eventually trusted in Christ as her Savior. Her testimony was a big help. Emily also gave her testimony of salvation and answered other questions as to their involvement in the church. It was reported to us that the officials seemed surprised by what was said because of all the rumors being spread around. A week later, the officials along with the DSWD or the equivalent of DSS, met with Myrel and with Francheska. Myrel had asked what she needed to do, and we told her to be honest and humble. If there was truth to any accusations, admit it. Be completely honest. As a result of Myrel's honesty, her mother decided not to continue to with this investigation. So, although there has been much talk and rumors of what will happen, nothing has happened. We have not been contacted by the officials in any way. We have noticed that the DSWD has been trying to persuade Francheska to forget about the Bible and church, and focus on school and sports. However, she is still trying to do what is right. Please continue to pray for this situation and especially for Francheska.

We praise the Lord for a few of the children that have started coming back to church. They had drifted away because of the persecution. Another teen, Yamina would like to come back, but her father is preventing her. Please pray that he would allow her to come back.

We praise the Lord as well for the completion of a portion of the new addition of the church. We were able to build 7 posts and the beams. We will continue to save to finish the remaining 3 posts and beams associated with them. We praise the Lord for His provision in this way. When the project is finished it will be about a 1200 square foot auditorium, with a bathroom.



We also praise the Lord for the faithfulness of the soulwinners. We have teen-soulwinning every Saturday, and the recent graduates to high school are now a part of this group. So, we have about 12 that go out every Saturday. Their focus is to speak with the other teens in the area, or hold a Good News Club with any children that they can find. They have had several visitors as a result of their efforts. On Thursday, Kristi and Emily go out to share the gospel as well. They have had many challenging visits as a result of all the rumors floating around.

Ercie was able to go to Mindanao toward the end of May to help out with a camp. We praise the Lord for her faithfulness and desire to help others grow spiritually. She is now in Manila studying at BJMBC until her paperwork is finished to go to Vietnam. The missionaries she will be working with are now back on the field and are working with a local agent in Vietnam to prepare her papers. They would like her to be there in September when the school year starts up again. Please pray for patience and peace as she rests in Gods perfect timing.

Kristi's health is still sporadic. There are days in which everything seems fine. But then other days come and she has many pains. We recently had some other testing done and determined that many nutrients in her body were on the bottom end of the spectrum. One of Kristi's doctors in Manila has been very kind and has done a lot of research. She believes the adrenal gland is not functioning properly. So, we are trying to find the specific tests to verify what she is thinking.

The rest of the family is doing well. Kayla is ready to start Grade 1, and is quite fluent in the local dialect. Nathaniel is all boy and is very independent. It is not unusual for us to find him wandering down the street by himself looking for things to do. Hudson will be in grade 7 this fall. We are praying that this year will be a year in which God will move in his heart greatly. God has blessed him with a gift of linguistics. And we are praying that he will start applying this gift for God's glory.