



Season's Greetings

December 13, 2011

Dear Prayer Partners,

As we enter this Christmas Season, we do so with great hope and expectations. Our hope is in our Lord and in His imminent return, while our expectations are in His promises as we read His Word.

Several of you have sent us Birthday cards and most recently, Anniversary cards. We thank the Lord as we just celebrated our 43rd wedding anniversary. It seems like yesterday we were adjusting to one another in our first year of marriage while serving in the U.S. Air Force in Lubbock, Texas. Thank you for thinking of us and keeping us in your prayers.

On occasion we receive an e-mail or card asking about our health, especially Mila's. She had an appointment today and her doctor said ALL IS WELL. Her Hepa B remains in the non-contagious stage, which we praise the Lord for. Other than a nagging cough, I am also in good health since having the stint put in my heart last May. I am still working on getting my cholesterol down though.

Our Lord continues to open doors of ministry for us. We have met many Filipinos in recent months and have started another Bible study, with another one on the verge. Maria recently trusted the Lord Jesus as her Saviour. Last week Mila and I were invited to a Filipino-American gathering for dinner and a cultural show. I was asked to share our ministry and open in prayer. With that opportunity, I gave them a condensed testimony and invited them to our church.

During the month of October Mabuhay Baptist Church voted unanimously for Ptr. Enrique Hintay to be the pastor. Ptr. Hintay has his ticket in hand to come to the states this January 16. Please pray that we will be able to change his visitor visa to a working visa once he arrives. His wife and daughter will follow once his immigration status is changed. We are all taking a big step of faith, trusting the Lord that we will see growth and a financial increase in our offerings to sustain a national pastor. We surely covet your prayers.

Lastly, Mila and I will be going to the Philippines on March 15th. for seven weeks. We hope to be able to purchase a lot for Blessed Hope Baptist Church. If you would like to give to this endeavor, please send any amount to our B.I.M.I. account, designated "Church Lot".

In His Service,

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