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Dear Friends in Christ,

I always start our letters by praising the Lord for His goodness and His faithfulness in providing for us and that's because He is so good and faithful and there is just so much for which to praise Him! And as we start our 27th year of ministry here I know He will continue to be just as good and faithful as ever!

We arrived back here in the Philippines this past January after a furlough during which we were able to visit a number of supporting churches which was quite encouraging. We were also able to spend time with our children in Florida, South Carolina and Texas, which went by way too quickly, as well as our families in Florida, California and Wisconsin.

Ministry Update

◆ Manaog Christian Baptist Church

What a blessing to be able to come back after a furlough and find our ministry here going well in every area. I thank the Lord for good staff and a faithful church family. I'm thankful that I can share the preaching here with several other men who are faithful students of the Word.

This past February we were able to conduct 2 pastor's seminars covering the topic of '**Dispensationalism**'. These seminars were taught by a good pastor friend from California - Roger McCarty, who has been with us several times over the years. One seminar was held at our church while the other was up in the mountains with pastor friends there. All in all around 3 dozen pastors got a full day of teaching on the various aspects of dispensationalism. There was also time for discussing the several issues which naturally arise from whether or not a dispensational approach is followed in Bible study and preaching.

We are preparing for a very busy summer (April - May) with many activities for our church family and outreaches to the lost - we would appreciate your prayers for strength and souls to be saved. Praise the Lord for a generous gift allowing us to purchase **20,000 tracts** (personalized with our new church location) which we will give out to others this year during times of witnessing!

◆ Manaog Christian Children's Home

Thanks to several generous donations while on furlough we have been able to:

- install a **deep well** with a pressure tank and tower storage tank as a backup water supply for the Home.
- purchase a brand new **motorcycle** with **sidecar** for the Home's transportation needs.
- purchase a new **computer** and **printer** for the Home.

Rachel has been very busy completing all of the necessary requirements for the final approval of the Home's tax exempt status traveling from one government office to another (today she went to Manila).

After more than 6 years, Philip, the first child we received has been given his birth certificate and certificate declaring him able to be adopted. The

lady in charge of our Home, Tessie, has now officially filed her petition to adopt him (she has cared for him since he was a day old) and hopefully it will be completed within a year. Here the cost of adoption is around \$2,000 and so if anyone would like to contribute to this, she would greatly appreciate it.

Visit our website at:

www.mcbsministries.org

Prayer Requests

- **Phase 2 building** - the 2 story educational building will cost around \$55,000. One church we visited generously gave \$1,000 towards this - praise the Lord!
- **Personal vehicle** - please help us pray for a newer vehicle - though, thankfully, our old van hasn't given up the ghost yet! A generous donor and long time friend gave \$1,000 towards this fund - praise the Lord!
- **More souls** to be saved!

Thank you for your prayers and support and may the Lord continue to bless your faithfulness to His worthy cause!

Serving the Master,
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