



Prayer Update

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"Prayer moves us from the safe and comfortable to the impossible and even miraculous areas of life and ministry." – Paul Cedar, *A Life of Prayer*

We returned to Mindanao in December, and after physical examinations in Manila, we arrived in time for Christmas in Davao City. It's good to be back in the field where the Lord has placed us to serve.

As we begin another chapter in the ministry here in Mindanao, we face some heavy challenges. **The spiritual and physical needs are great and the only way progress will be made is if we pray diligently.** Whenever forward movement is made in expanding the Kingdom of God the battle will intensify. So often we sense the onslaught of the enemy. Obstacles are continually placed in our path, coordinating details for ministry and communications is difficult, there's never enough time nor resources, and constantly we recognize our limitations and weaknesses. This is why missionaries need prayer and why we desperately need prayer warriors as part of our Mindanao ministry team. **Your undergirding prayer is what sustains us on the field and makes it possible to minister effectively.**

Praise & Prayer

- Praise the Lord for our 4-month U.S. Home Assignment. Having an opportunity to spend some time with our families, friends and churches was a great blessing.
- Praise the Lord for having the opportunity to have **Hannia Freeman** with us for two weeks (Jan. 21 - Feb. 4). She's a recent graduate of Northwestern College and is seeking the Lord's will as to future missionary service in the area of agriculture. **Pray for this highly committed and talented young woman as she looks to the Lord for direction for her future.**
- Pray that all the details will be worked out for the construction of a new public restroom facility at Hope Mountain. We have a **Short-term Construction Team arriving in early March from Benson, AZ.** All the details must be completed before their arrival. One of our Hope Mountain Board members is dragging his feet and is slowing down everything. Pray that the Lord will work in his heart. **It is critical that everything is ready to go when the team arrives!**
- Pray for **Mats Tunehag, a Business as Mission** consultant from Sweden, who will be with us in early March to meet with Christian business people in Davao. Helping Christian business people see their potential in impacting their communities and their nations for Christ is a key component of world evangelization. Pray that the Lord will work mightily in giving business people a vision and the desire to serve Christ through their businesses.
- We are experiencing some real problems with one of our staff families at Hope Mountain. There are **issues of dishonesty, laziness and incompetence** that we are dealing with. Pray that we, along with our board, will have wisdom, and that this family will experience deliverance and restoration in Christ.
- Pray for workers. We desperately need an **agricultural specialist**, and **people skilled in management.** Continue to pray for **Mike & Ghed Miguel**, WorldVenture appointees, who are currently working on developing their support team. **"The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore beseech the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers in His harvest field"** (Lk 10:2-NASB).
- Pray us as we are facing some **medical issues.** We'll be having some tests in Manila on February 10-11, and consultation on the 12th.
- **Above all, pray that the Lord will be glorified and honored in all that we do and say!**



Hannia with Dan Dan Santander and our new Nubian male goat that was just purchased for Hope Mountain

Thank you for your faithful prayers! You are partners in the harvest field!

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