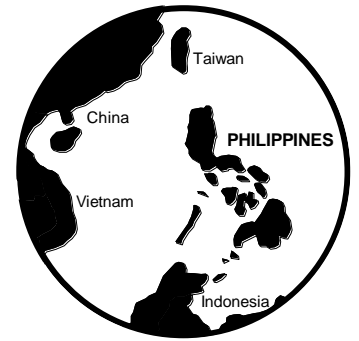




Phil and Mila
Tim, Joy, Mark, Paul

The
Kamibayashiyamas
to the
PHILIPPINES



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Update

Dear Family and Friends,

Our church marriage retreat on October 19 resulted in tears and a lot of sober conversations between husbands and wives. Some described it as “a wonderful day” and that they “realized how much they need to work on.” Praise the Lord. Please pray that decisions to change as spouses would not be laid aside. The Lord also blessed my seminar on Biblical Manhood at the annual Metro-Manila Bible Conference. Unusually, God brought more men than ladies that day.

The Lord rescued us and is rescuing us regarding our need for a new apartment to rent as a dorm for the last half of the school year. The Lord led Mila to an adequate place with good terms. It is small, so we still need to find a place for 1 or 2 more students. Please pray for God to quickly resolve this need. Someday we would love to have a permanent solution to our dorm needs, if that is God’s will. The school building we are planning to starting build in 2015 is not big enough to allot space for dorm. We also have other reasons for not housing many students on the property. Thank you for praying.

Second Semester began this week with a flurry of preparing lectures and class syllabi, students enrolling, and administrative decisions. We haven’t counted yet how many students we have, but 150 is a good guess. In opening chapel, I preached on the power of the truth from I Timothy 1:3-7. The truth can purge our entire being so that we can truly love.

We cancelled school on November 8 because of a super-typhoon hitting the Philippines. Described as one of the largest to ever hit land, it led to an estimated 2,500 deaths. Metro-Manila only got a lot of rain and strong winds since we were not really in its path. We are still discovering what happened to all the believers and churches there.

Please pray for:

1. Salvation of souls and transformation of lives in and through GFBC (our church)
2. Revival and purging from sin in the BJMBC faculty, staff, and student body
3. Effectiveness for us in teaching and witnessing; and for me in preaching and pastoring
4. Paul’s fractured-dislocated finger is healing. The pin put in his hand was removed last week. Please pray that God would use this in his life and work in all our children’s lives.
5. Those devastated by the typhoon: both physical and spiritual help

Sincerely,

Phil, Mila, Joy, Mark, & Paul Kamibayashiyama (Tim in 2nd year at BJU)

