

The Kamibayashiyamas to the

PHILIPPINES



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August-October 2014 Prayer Letter

Dear Praying Friends,

What amazing things God has done! In April, God used camp to revive our youth and save one who was already a church member. What a joy to baptize six! God used them to help run a fruitful VBS, continue evangelizing even until now, and challenge the rest of our church! My May trip to the US for my parents' 50th wedding anniversary served an even greater purpose—helping to care for my father (on dialysis) and my mother when she needed emergency brain surgery. God knew what no one did. Thank you for your faithful prayers for us. Although we do not see all the results of our prayers, God is working in the midst of this fierce battle. That includes 6 who prayed to receive Christ last Sunday and 1 yesterday. But I see **Satan on the prowl** in other ways. Please pray!

The first 10 weeks (June-July) of 1st semester I carried an unusually large teaching load. That has lessened quite a bit now with Pastor Roger Vogel's recent arrival to teach for the final 8 weeks of the semester. Even with a larger teaching load, God enabled me to continue pastoring and blessed the work. Christian Family students recognized the need to humble themselves, ask forgiveness, and honor their parents. Others were challenged to purity and to revise their view of the kind of person they should marry. I felt like God greatly helped me to prepare good lectures for Issues in Contemporary Ministry class and Doctrine of the Church. But the most insight the Lord gave was as I studied for Teachings of Jesus class. So I used something from that class in a Pastors & Workers Fellowship of some 60 men. Please pray for God to change the thinking of our **church** and to bring all of us to **total surrender** as we continue a hard-hitting series on Christian Family.

132 students have enrolled so far this year at BJMBC. Clearly, God's intention is to purge sin from among us. We have already had a fair share of discipline problems in these first 3 months. But **repentance** is the path to revival, and some may not even be truly regenerated. Please pray that God would so work at BJMBC that a holy, cross-centered, Word-filled army of God's servants would go forth to reach **Asia for Jesus Christ**. Please pray in a special way for our **foreign students**, mostly from places where the gospel is limited. We have more of them this year and greatly wish that God would use this year to really make a deep impact in their lives and convince them of Biblical separatism. Also, I (and hopefully Mila) will go on a **12-day trip to a Muslim country in October** for special ministry. Please pray that the short time would have lasting, spiritual effects.

Please pray for **our children** and for **God's will regarding when our furlough should be** (next year or 2 years from now). One factor is that Joy is now in 12th grade. Our furlough time will also affect the schooling of Mark (11th or 12th grade) and Paul (7th or 8th grade). Of course, we are also weighing what is the best time to be away from BJMBC & to resign from the church. Thank you!

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