



The
Kamibayashiyamas
to the
PHILIPPINES



Phil and Mila
Tim, Joy, Mark, Paul

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Prayer Letter

Dear Family and Friends,

Thank you for keeping us in prayer. Recent difficulties have reminded us that unless the Lord builds the house, we labor in vain. The Lord works in response to fervent, fully-dependent prayer. Would you pray for us that **we pray more**? We need to exercise more, rest more, have more family time, give more tracts, and witness more, but most of all we need to pray more.

We had a church crisis recently and almost had to excommunicate a member, but the Lord powerfully worked and wooed the erring one to repentance. Yet every day is a new battle. Please pray that our entire church would **deny themselves & be controlled by Christ's love** for us. Our men (including me) need to grow in self-denying love for God and others. Our ladies need to grow in submission and trust in God's care. Our young people need to see the glory of Jesus Christ and experience the joy of being complete in Him. All of us need to love each neighbor as ourselves and proclaim the blessed news about Jesus Christ. Please pray for us.

The BJMBC school year is just a month away from 22 students graduating. Many of them and the rest of our student body need to know the Lord's next step for them and need to have the Lord's academic and financial help to finish this school year. Since the key is to be fully surrendered and trusting in the Lord, please pray for each of us in the BJMBC family. We need the Lord to graciously **revive** us and bring us to **full surrender and trust** in Him.

Please pray for me in carrying an 8-hour **teaching load**: Pastoral Epistles, Church History, & Pastoral Theology. I also oversee a special class for those graduating. It takes me 20+ hours a week to prepare for these classes (studying, writing, making powerpoints, grading). Besides that there is administration and pastoring. Please pray for **wisdom** for many decisions in directing BJMBC and pastoring GFBC. Plans for this year include a door-to-door community survey to systematically evangelize our community, an evangelism training program, starting a new members orientation class, revising the constitution, evangelistic film nights, preaching a series on marriage and parenting, and training the future leaders of the church.

Mila has an excellent ministry in the church and to the young ladies at BJMBC. **Tim** is finishing his 2nd year in college and needs prayer regarding this summer and next school year. **Joy** just turned 17 and has only one year left before college. **Mark** and **Paul** are growing up quickly. Please pray that God would have mercy upon our family – to love and follow Christ with all our being. By the way, I will be going to the U.S. for the month of May for a couple special occasions for my parents. If I can be of help to you during that time, feel free to email me.

Sincerely,
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