

Philippines missions update

Firstly, a big thank you for the ongoing prayer and financial support that makes our overseas outreach to the Philippines so successful. God has blessed each trip in a unique way. To see God working in each person's life as they step out in faith to witness to the nation of the Philippines has been inspirational and humbling.

The most recent trip which was comprised mainly of young adults which saw each and everyone of them stepping into their faith and taking on every challenge God presented to them. From sharing their testimonies at services to walking the streets inviting people to church.

Here's some of the most impactful moments.

Faith King premier

Our timing couldn't have been better as we were able to attend the live recording of several songs at the Baguio Event Center. An amazing evening with hundreds of believers worshipping God.

Blind Community

A wonderful and very moving time spent with our brothers and sisters worshipping God and hearing their testimonies. As they shared you realized how incredibly faithful these people were and the worship was so pure that there may have been a few wet eyes as God moved.



Seek and Save ministry

School visits performing a 15 minute skit that we had only seen done once! Very funny day and an absolute blast at the schools we visited with hundreds attending.



Prison Outreach

We split into two groups and visited the local female and male prisons. Lots of time sharing testimonies and fellowship. It was very moving to hear the individual testimonies.



Red Bag Revolution

Delivering food and basic supplies into the community for those in need. As always this was a very humbling experience for everyone with God opening the teams eyes to the plight of those struggling in some very difficult situations.

This was where Finn and Aaron met Jessie who lived in the worst possible situation that we have ever encountered. He lives in a concrete block single room where the walls were covered in black mold and the room was incredibly pungent with the smell of human waste. His bed was the filthiest mattress imaginable. This was a very challenging situation for the team to face as this was an extreme situation that our brother in Christ was living in.

As part of each trip we set aside NZD\$2000 from the Church@ missions fund. The team get the opportunity to decide on how we will bless others through your generosity. We ask for them to prayerfully consider each ministry we have been involved with and the impact it has had on their faith. Collectively we then discuss and allocate amounts based on the magnitude of the need.

This trip we were able to support and bless others by:

- Blind Community donation to go towards buying the building they currently rent
- Mobile coffee cart
- Medical supplies and walking stick



- Pregnancy supplies for expectant mother



- With the situation Jessie was in we were able to have his accommodation professionally cleaned, provide him with new furniture and linen. There is a video of the transformation on the Compassion company Facebook page.



Church building update

As part of our missions outreach we have committed to partner with two provincial churches to help with building projects.

Solano Church – Pastors Girlie and Galing

Rapidly growing rural church that were renting a small house when Aaron and Aaron visited. Incredibly small area for the number of people and no kids church space available. Land purchased by congregation members and cleared, foundations being prepared for concrete.



Hungduan Ifugao Church – Pastor Sammy

This is considered a “hub” church that trains and sends out church planting teams for the surrounding area. Land is very expensive in the area due to it being a very fertile area for agriculture. The decision was made to support Pastor Sammy by adding a second story on their existing building. This is a complex build they have undertaken and is often hampered by the typhoon season, so progress can be slow. They are still using the existing building for church services. They will work towards closing in the top section and removing the old roof so they can pour a concrete floor over the coming months.



Compassion Company

As part of our ongoing commitment to The Compassion Company, after prayerful consideration Church@ Overseas Missions has offered to fully support a salaried position for two years. Pastor Bryan and his leadership team have been praying and seeking God for guidance on the right person for this role. We are expecting an announcement in the coming weeks and look forward to seeing how God will use this role to bless the community.