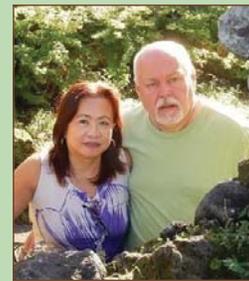


# Serving the Lord in the Philippines Greetings from the Gundersons

July/September 2016

*There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Jesus the Messiah. Galatians 3:28*



## WATCHING GOD MOVE

This last quarter had a lot of different types of great ministry opportunities throughout the Philippines. We began the quarter by taking part in a Bar Barakah celebration. The ceremony was taken from the Bar/Bat Mitzvah ceremony and is for non-Jewish believers when they come of legal age.



*Paul praying at the Bar Barakah celebration*

There are confirmations of faith on the part of the individual and blessings given from parents, family members as well as other people that have been significant in the person's life. Paul was asked to pray for a fulfillment of a ministry calling that the Lord had given to the individual.

Another significant event was in assisting in the ordination of a Bible teacher that Nancy and I have been working with us since we arrived here in the Philippines.



*Pastor Edison*

Edison and his wife Catherine have a ministry; One New Man Christian Ministries is located in Pasay. Pastor Edison is a truly a gifted and anointed teacher that God will be able to use mightily. It was truly an honor for us to help him enter this level of servanthood in the Kingdom of God.

We were again a part of the Church of God in Christ Philippines National Holy Convocation. It was a very long week; however we were able to meet many new people as well as renew friendships with others that



*Angeles*

are in remote areas of the Philippines and we are not always able to work together. We were also blessed when Pastor Elmer as well as two members from his team were able to stay with us for a couple days following the convocation as they awaited a flight back to Ormoc. During their time with us they were also able to participate in one of our Friday Night Torah studies as well as fellowship with some of the regular attendees. It was a great time.



*Pastor Elmer and members of his team*

Paul was also able to be a part of a pastoral team that went to Tacloban again to teach. It's always exciting to be able to share with people that are so eager to learn more about our Lord and how they can have a more intimate relationship with him. We also were able to be a part of a church anniversary service in Quezon. It was our first time there but we were also able to meet several other



*Team Boarding for Tacloban*

pastors and we will be going back to the area again. We are now scheduled to go back to another church in that province on October 30.



*Paul was part of a church anniversary in Quezon*

We had another experience in our Lord's divine appointments. We had an opportunity to work with John Tolo of GodTown Ministries from Minneapolis this past September. This is the second year that we have been able to work with John and he always brings a wonderful ministry with



*John Tolo of GodTown Ministries, Minneapolis*

him. What is ironic is when we were still in Minneapolis, Nancy and I had heard of John and his work there, but never had a chance to meet him or work with him. We had to move all the way to the Philippines to work with someone who originally only lived a few miles from us in the past. Who said our Lord doesn't have a sense of humor?

We anxiously wait to see what our Lord has planned for us next.

## NANCYS NOTES

When we doubt God's trustworthiness, that unbelief becomes a gap in our spiritual armor, and you can be sure it is exactly where Satan will attack us. You will begin to doubt other elements of God's character, such as His goodness, and that distrust will become baggage you will needlessly drag through every area of your life. You might feel that you don't have enough faith to obey, but the Lord isn't asking you to have faith in favorable circumstances. He's asking you to trust that He is who He says He is.



The question is, will we trust Him always?

## PRAYER REQUESTS

Thank you for your faithful prayers. If you feel led to be a part of our prayer team, please send us an email at [nancy@oneinyeshua.org](mailto:nancy@oneinyeshua.org). As a part of the prayer team you will be sent a monthly update the beginning of each month. We ask you to keep us and these issues in prayer.

### Specific Needs in the Philippines

- We received confirmation that Nancy will need a knee replacement on her other knee (the first was just before we departed for the Philippines). Our problem here is that while the surgery can be performed here, most places will not accept Paul's military TriCare insurance. If we cannot find a place that accepts it, we will need to raise the necessary funds to cover the entire cost of surgery. The surgery needs to be done as soon as we can to prevent further knee damage.

- Our landlord is trying to force us out of our house so she can increase the rent to almost double what it is now. We need to find a new location that is affordable and large enough for us to live in as well as continue to do ministry. While we would like to purchase a house, it is something that is just not possible without our Lord's direct intervention. Philippine bank lending laws prevent us from taking a home loan out as well.
- We need prayer for financial resources as they have continued to decrease since the beginning of this year. We keep asking for people who can catch our vision here as well as being willing to partner with us. Please pray that our Lord will open new doors for us in this area.

## UPCOMING MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

- Nancy has begun her Tagalog Bible study. The people who are attending are those often overlooked; merchants from the open market, street vendors, etc. Most of those attending have little or no education or finances. We have also bought Tagalog Bibles, as for most of them to have a Bible of their own is considered a luxury. It is another way to get the Gospel to the byways.

We cannot thank you enough for taking time to keep us in prayer. May the Lord give back to you a hundredfold for your labor of love for us and the Lord's work. Also, let us know how we can be praying for you as well.

Maraming salamat! Thank you so much for all those who have been standing with us throughout another year. Nancy and I wish to thank you so much for all you do for us. If not for your prayers and support we would not be able to minister on the Lord's behalf here. We are excited about helping to build God's Kingdom in the Philippines with you.

We love and appreciate all of you and pray for you regularly. May God give back to you in His abundance.

*Paul and Nancy*



## STAY CURRENT

We have several ways for you to keep current on what we are doing and where we are speaking. We also want to stay current with you as well. Please let us know what God is doing in your lives and how we can be praying for you.

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