

Vision Faith Ministries

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Greetings from the Taylors in the Philippines.

Thank you for your faithful participation in Vision Faith Ministries. Your donations and prayers are what God uses to keep this ministry going. We reminded the parents of our students last Sunday that we need to continue to pray for our supporters. Our monthly budget is between \$4500 and \$5000 and is a great sacrifice for some of you in today's economy. In our last letter we were in the mist of the Thanksgiving and Advent/Christmas season. For us, it was a time of sorrow but also thanksgiving. We lost Lanie's mother in December after a year of her suffering. We had a customary nine day funeral celebration. Many friends and all of Lanie's family attended and we were able to share each night, God's plan of salvation and the blessed hope that we have in Jesus. Since December we have attended two more funerals, one of Lanie's relatives and the other of a pastor in our area. Besides the school and the church, death and funerals are a big part of our ministry here. The Bible tells us in Ecclesiastes 7:2, "It is better to go to a house of **mourning** than to go to a house of feasting, because that is the end of every man, and the living takes *it* to heart." God uses us to minister with His word and with some food and snacks.

We are now nearing the Pascua/ resurrection celebration where we celebrate the reason why Jesus came. We celebrate His death as payment for our sins but even more, His resurrection to give us victory over death and an eternal hope. Our prayer is that your celebration will be heartfelt and joyful.

Our work in the school, the church, and the community continue to be a challenge. The challenge only reminds us that we must depend on God and the people that He has sent to help us. We have financial supporters, a good staff, and volunteers that help us greatly. This year we have had to do many needed repairs to the buildings. The buildings are old and were built on a small budget to begin with. We replaced the roof and remodeled three classrooms and half of the sanctuary. We need to make repairs, while we look for and pray for, a way to move the school to our farm. We have hit many roadblocks. The biggest is a legal right of way access road to our property.



The church is growing and we continue to do counseling, Bible studies, discipleship and community outreach. We recently had an outreach to a community in the mountains where we were able to share God's word, food, and shoes.

We continue to help with financial needs of some who are without work. We employ some parents at the school with maintenance and construction and some at the farm maintaining bananas, coconuts, taking care of pigs and chickens and doing small projects. We donate bananas to one lady who makes a fried snack to sell. Lanie regularly drives people to the hospital and buys medicine when their children are sick. There is never a lack for ministry here and by the grace of God we do what we can.

Praises and prayer requests on back

Praises

Praise God that He has continued to sustain us with finances and relatively good health.

Praise God that He answered prayer concerning Lola (Lanie's Mom).

Praise God that things are going well at the school and church and that the challenges have not overcome us.

Praise God that Lanie is in the U.S. and DeLloyd will be following in May for their son Lucas, and bride Nya's, wedding.

Praise God for the great job that our Board of Directors is doing for the ministry in the U.S.

Prayer requests

Pray for our health and the health of the teachers and staff. We have been to a lot of funerals this year. Life here tends to be short.

Pray for Lanie and DeLloyd's health. As we age, we are experiencing some health problems.

Pray for revival in our lives and in the lives of the teachers in the school and the families in the school and church.

Pray that we can find a legal access road to the farm property so we can begin to move the school without problems with the neighbors. We have several options but they all require cooperation of neighbors and money. The present site of the school will not allow growth and does not meet department of education guidelines.

Pray for someone who we can trust to work with our solar. It is in need of repair and we need to expand it.

Pray for our Board of Directors here and in the U.S. We can always use help.

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