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Dear Pastor and Church Family,

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We just finished arrangements for our October trip to the Philippines and marveled how fast time is passing. Seems only yesterday we came home after spending May and June in the Philippines. Now it is time to go again. We are always excited about returning. Please pray about our travels.

Dr. Runion and myself plan to spend most of the time with our National Pastors this trip. We want to encourage and assist them with some of their questions. The Filipino People are facing a very difficult financial time presently. Food and the necessities of life are very hard to come by for some of the people. We are so blessed here in the USA. I praise the Lord for his blessings on our Nation.

Our Pastors and Churches are holding their own. Souls are being saved and the Churches are growing in number. They report regularly with encouraging news of the blessings of the Lord upon their ministry. The Bible College at Christian Baptist Church is doing well. Our next pastors will come from the Bible College. Already one young Pastor is traveling on the weekend to Pastor in Baatan. He returns on Monday for Bible college and goes on Wednesday to the Church for soul winning-visitation and Bible study and stays through the Sunday services.

We were able to ship the 20' container and the Lord supplied the finances for this effort. We were given a PA System, large screen for showing the films, computers, a keyboard plus an unusual amount of good Christian literature as well as various items for the use of the Churches. We have had several e-mails and letters about the blessings of these items to the Churches. Please pray for the next shipment which will be in October-November.

Pastor Chris Murray, our American missionary in Bacolod is doing well. He is Pastor of the New Beginning Baptist Church and also President of New Beginning Baptist Bible College. He and his wife Amy, sons Andrew and Joshua are loved by the Filipinos and are a real blessing to the people as well as the other pastors there. They have three services on Sunday morning with a good number in attendance at each service. He is also involved in the Prison ministry there. Note the pictures of us preaching and witnessing to the inmates in one of the larger prisons there.

Mrs. Lance and I really appreciate your prayers and financial support. The Lord has encouraged us greatly by keeping us busy in the ministry in the Philippines. We have really experienced that God makes no mistakes and there is nothing too hard for God. Thank you for your faithfulness to missions.

Pray for our health. We feel good however both Mrs. Lance and myself have some health problems. Most of you are familiar with those. We love and appreciate all of you.

Pray for our trip in October. Hopefully we can visit all of you in the near future.

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PRAYER REQUEST:

Bro. Joe Moral, Sammy Medina, and the Filipino Pastors.

Completion of Church Building at CBC Sta. Maria, Bulacan.(as well as dorms and offices)

Dr. Runion & Dr. Smith

Shipping ministry, Traveling expenses, Medical Missions.