



THE **HURST** FAMILY
MISSIONARIES TO THE
Philippines

2019 Update Letter #6

That ye might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God; Colossians 1:10

Dear Pastors & Praying Friends,

A BLESSED NEW YEAR to each of you! We praise the Lord for your love and burden in reaching lost souls as you partner with missionaries around the world.

Our 2019 Theme was Walk Worthy and we rejoice in our Lord and Saviour for the spiritual growth of our people and how God has used them to reach fruit that has remained. We are excited about the year before us and look forward to what God will do in 2020.

Final Opportunities... The last two months of 2019 were very busy and gave many open doors for sowing the seed, sharing the Word and seeing God transform lives. Space does not permit sharing every activity but through our November evangelistic outreach, an increase in our soul winning participation, our Academy and public school ministries, youth activities, Christmas programs, new members and first time visitors almost every Sunday, God continues to show His amazing love, grace and power as souls receive Christ as their personal Saviour. What a privilege to serve our Creator who desires "...all men to be saved and to come unto the knowledge of the truth."

Our annual Missions Conference is always a blessing and we rejoice in the Lord increasing our faith promise by 15% but even more important is seeing a number of our young people surrender their lives to serving the Lord fulltime.

Family Update... The last Prayer Letter of the year provides us an opportunity to share about

our family. Our daughter Kaitlin has been enjoying married life with her husband Zeth. They celebrated their first anniversary on December 15, 2019. It has been a blessing to see them grow and serve the Lord together. Zeth is currently studying for his Master of Divinity and looking forward to serving in fulltime ministry. Kaitlin is working in the publishing department at Abeka and loves what she is doing. She is also studying for her Masters of education.

Andrew is a senior, majoring in Business Marketing, and is looking forward to graduating in May of 2020. It was a blessing this past summer to have him, for three months, helping us here in the Philippines. He will continue his studies and also pursue a Masters Degree.

Chris' grandmother passed away on December 19, 2019. She was 100 years old. We praise the Lord that prior to us leaving for the mission field in 2013 we were able to share the Gospel with her and she received the Lord at the age of 93. Since that time we had other opportunities to talk with her and believe that she truly had trusted Christ as her Saviour. In October we returned to the US for a short visit and spent some time with her. We praise the Lord for that time and also allowing us to visit a few of our supporting churches. God is so Good!

Thank you for your faithful partnership and we look forward to continue working together in 2020 for the Lord's harvest.

Christopher & Ivy Hurst

Praises

- Souls saved and lives transformed
- Answered Prayers
- Ministry Opportunities
- Baptisms
- Faithful partners

Prayer Requests

- Our Bible Institute
- Our Discipleship Program
- More souls to be saved, baptized, and discipled
- Spiritual growth
- New families
- More men
- A faithful, full-time male staff member or a couple.
- Teachers, interns, administrator and students for our Academy
- DepEd approval of our application for 3rd through 6th grade.
- Ministries in two high schools

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