

December - January 2016

## Dear Pastors and Friends:

What a year we have had in 2015. The Typhoons started in March and ended in November. One storm right after the other. I believe there were 27 named storms to gently pass us by, brush us or hit us directly. Soudclor did the most damage then Chamby came and finished the job. Soudclor hit us on August 2 and we went without power until the first of November. Water came back in October and the gas lines were also gone by October. The Island looked like a war zone. We had our Anniversary service in October but it was not the happy time we usually have. I heard one man say, let the storms come because he had nothing left to break. Everything was gone.

We have started the repair work on the Church building. We lost about 10 windows, several doors, the roof leaked and ruined the floors. The ceiling caved in, in the bathrooms and hallway and the wall in our youth building fell down flat. So we have lots of work to do, plus minor breakage. But thank the Lord we are entering the dry season and the work will be easier.

I saw a bunch of bananas coming out yesterday. My wife's garden is starting to produce tomatoes, cho cho, and cucumbers. Flowers are in bloom again and life goes on.

We have two new families in the church and we have had several new visitors over the past 2 months and one lady saved. We are praying for her husband now. We had a wonderful Thanksgiving and Christmas. We have had a difficult time these past 5 months but we have learned to live without electric, water, gas for the cars and most importantly, no phones or internet. Although we did have plenty of rain water. We learned to survive without those things. After 5 months the evidence is still here but everyone is going about their daily routine and life returns to normal. We have the Typhoon shutters on the windows at our house ready for this next season. We thank all of you who helped us with these.

Thank you all for your prayers and support during this time. We are looking forward to a wonderful New Year and hopefully many more souls will be saved before we go to meet the Lord. Please pray for our church and the Chinese Church and for our Grandson, Joshua, who has come to help us in the work. He has been such a blessing to us. Thank you for all your Christmas cards and gifts. May the Lord bless you all.

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Thank you so much for your prayers and support.

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