

# The BARAN Family

## Missionaries to Cebu, Philippines

SEPTEMBER~NOVEMBER 2013



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### Dear Pastor & Church Family,

These past couple of months we have seen unspeakable damage as two great catastrophe's devoured this country. ***In October we experienced a massive 7.1 earthquake right here in Cebu. For 45 seconds we watched the world shake around us.*** It was a bizarre time, but God kept us safe. Over 200 people were killed and several hospitals, markets, and homes were damaged. Little did we know the worst was yet to come. On November 8, the largest storm known to man hit our shores. Typhoon Haiyan almost covered all of the Philippines as it flew over us. Because of the storm, we lost power and water for days and the "Queen City of the South" was covered with debris from the storm. But as bad as it was in Cebu the destruction was far worse just north of us. Many of you may remember that we have a family from our church ministering on a remote island in northern Cebu. Their island was in the direct path of the storm. After Haiyan we lost all communication with them but we knew they needed help! We took food and supplies, not having any idea what we would find once we got there. When I stepped off the boat the people thought we were a news crew surveying the damage. ***We were amazed to find the church still standing!*** Yet others lost everything. The island is completely devastated-people have lost their homes, crops have been wiped out, and debris from boats (their livelihood) are scattered all over the island. *Malapascua is small and has not received a lot of media attention, but they are living in desperate times. Our church will continue to focus our resources to help these survivors. Many of you have contacted us and asked if you could help.* If that is your desire you can send money to Travis Lewis at Word for the World...marked Philippine Disaster Relief Fund. The address is P.O. Box 849 Rossville, Georgia 30741-0849. The phone number is 706-866-8826. Pastor Travis is our missionary partner in Cebu. He shares our burden to help the Filipino's through this crisis! **100% of what you send will help these people rebuild their lives.** We have already sent two relief shipments to Malapascua and are getting ready to send a third. These people have lost everything and are living day by day to survive. ***They need food, water, medicine, and basic hygiene necessities.*** It is estimated that over ten thousand Filipinos lost their lives in this terrible storm. Both the earthquake and the typhoon have left enormous damage. We pray that in their time of crisis, God can use us to help suffering Christians and unbelievers who need to see the love of Christ! Please pray for the people in the Philippines! **Your prayer and support makes a difference!**

Bringing Relief to Malapascua



We are His and He is Ours,

*Chris Baran*

Chris, Elizabeth, Abigail, and Micah Baran  
(Psalm 28:7; Psalm 37:4-5)

*"Delight thyself also in the LORD; and he shall give thee the desires of thine heart. Commit thy way unto the LORD; trust also in him; and he shall bring it to pass." Psalm 37:4-5*

