

The Baran Family

MISSIONARIES TO CEBU, PHILIPPINES

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Dear Pastor & Church Family,

*Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! This year we are blessed to be back in the Philippines. We want to thank everyone who prayed for us as we made the long trek home. We certainly miss our family and friends (that is something that will never go away) but there is such joy in knowing that you are in the place God wants you. 2017 was a year full of activity and change. At times it was overwhelming but throughout the year, God kept bringing us to this simple truth: **He is everything we need and more.** So this holiday season I found myself thanking God for Who He Is and what He has done! I am excited (and terrified) about what 2018 has to bring but no matter what, I know God is with me...and that is more than enough.*

We were blessed to have two students from Malapascua Island graduate from Lighthouse Baptist College this year. After Typhoon Haiyan, God brought our churches together and developed a friendship. Since that time, these ladies have applied themselves to learning at Bible College; from teaching children's classes to playing the piano! Now, we are happy to send them back to their church so they can be a blessing to their pastor! We pray that they continue to be teachable and allow God to work in their lives!



PRAYER & PRAISE:

- **Praise the Lord for increased faith!** We needed the church to raise about Ph25,000 to continue supporting our missionaries this year-with no American help. **But God did a miracle and the people raised Ph32,000 for missions!**
- **Please keep our baby and Elizabeth in your prayers as we get closer to the delivery.** Philip Michael Baran is due to arrive in just a couple weeks on January 11th!

We are His and He is Ours,

Chris Baran

Chris, Elizabeth, Abigail, & 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