

# The Baran Family

## MISSIONARIES TO CEBU, PHILIPPINES



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Dear Pastor & Church Family,

**COVID19 has brought so many drastic changes to the Philippines.** In the past month, Cebu has become the hotspot of the virus. *The president has put our entire city on a hard lockdown, even sending the military to enforce his 'STAY AT HOME ORDER'.* Only essential businesses are open, and people are only allowed outside (for valid reasons) 3 times a week. As you can imagine, living without an income for such an extended time has created a lot of fear and uncertainty among the people. **But God is still good. He has enabled us to minister to needy families through distributing meals. We have also seen the Lord's protection when some of our church members were exposed to the virus in their neighborhoods but never got sick.** Thank you so much for your prayers! We are reminded daily of Psalm 46:7, *"The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge."*

Another big change has been the cancellation of all physical services due to the stringent quarantine guidelines. **We are thankful for the technology to preach online and provide Sunday school videos for the youth group and children.** If you have time, you can watch them too on my wife's Facebook page.

There have been some unexpected changes too. **Right now, we are currently unable to receive mail from outside the country.** We want to thank everyone who has tried to send birthday cards, it means so much to us! We will let you know once the mail opens up again. Throughout these uncertain times, we are so thankful to have a God that never changes and has made His presence known!



## PRAYER & PRAISE

- **Please pray for Cebu!** The number of people getting sick is rising rapidly and our hospitals are struggling to keep up. Pray that the virus would soon pass and we could resume services.
- **We praise the Lord for one teen that was saved!** Even though this crisis makes personal contact and soul winning difficult, one of our teens reported that her friend received Christ as their Savior! Pray that more people would realize their need of Christ and be saved!

We are His and He is Ours,

Chris, Elizabeth, Abigail, Micah & Philip Baran

*Chris 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*