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Happy New Year from the Daltons!

*"I have but one passion - it
is He, it is He alone. The
world is the field and the
field is the world; and
henceforth that country
shall be my home where I
can be most used in
winning souls for Christ."
Count Zinzendorf*

A NEW HOME AND A NEW MINISTRY

A NEW MINISTRY

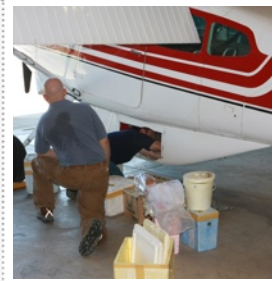
Language school is done and we are settled into our new home on Palawan. We are excited to be serving with a team of about 15 other families to reach the 12 different language groups represented on Palawan. A number of these language groups have mature churches already established, but there are at least six tribal groups that either still need to hear the gospel, or need further discipleship and translation work. Our focus is on these six groups who still have little or no access to the gospel in their own language, and we are currently working with all of them. As a pilot, our role is to provide safe, efficient transportation into remote tribal areas for our fellow missionaries, their groceries and other supplies, as well as medical evacuations, and anything else we can do to aid them as they share the gospel, disciple new believers, and translate scripture. Please continue to pray for us as we handle the responsibility of the flight program on Palawan while our NTMA coworkers return home for a year for a much needed furlough.



Riding in the right seat on Palawan to learn the routes and approaches



Final approach at Puerto Princesa



Loading cargo

Fun Fact:
The land area of Metro
Manila is smaller than our
home county in Texas, yet the
population is over 18 million!





Doing laundry in a tribe on Northern Luzon



At our favorite restaurant

WE GO, BUT WILL WE STAY?

"We see nothing." I heard these words from 3 different doctors. I was devastated. Early in August, we moved from the city to the island of Palawan. It was a big adjustment for me, as things I once knew became even less familiar. And so, so hot!!! In early September, I found myself experiencing symptoms that I was very familiar with, and after three at-home pregnancy tests, it confirmed my symptoms- I was pregnant. 6 weeks later, some things happened that indicated I was miscarrying. I went to several doctors, (medical care just isn't the same as in the states), before I finally found out that I did lose the baby, but not in the way I thought. I had experienced a "non-embryonic pregnancy." All the signs, but no baby. It took over 8 weeks for them to come to this conclusion and for my body to right itself from what happened. These two months were some of the hardest I have experienced. With all the changes and the hormonal chaos that I was experiencing, I found myself in a state of depression and questioning. Was I really supposed to be

here? Did I miss something? Why was I going through this on the other side of the world so far from my family in one of the hottest places in creation? What am I thinking hauling my two babies across the ocean? All of these things were running through my head, bogging me down. And then I heard a new song by Chris Tomlin, "Where You go, I'll go. Where You stay, I'll stay. When You move, I'll move. I will follow You." This really got me thinking. God asked me to go to the Philippines. I went. And now in the middle of a very hard time, God was asking me to stay. I realized what a huge tendency this is for us as Christians. God asks us to do something, to start something. It's exciting to start a new thing or to go to a new place. But then, things get hard and it doesn't feel so exciting anymore. We begin to wonder if we are where we're supposed to be. The Lord has called me to "go" and now He is telling me to "stay". I hope this will encourage each of you to continue on with what God has called you to & to "stay" where He has you. May this new year be richly blessed! Masayang Bagong Taon! (Happy New Year!)

A NEW HOME

We love our new home out of the city. It is a short, five minute drive from the airport and from our Palawan guest house, and in a quiet, semi-rural setting. It required a fresh coat of paint, repairs to some termite damage, and a few other improvements, but the price and location were right, and we have a great landlord.



Joshua & Anna are now 6 & 4 are have adjusted wonderfully to our new home. They are both doing well in school and enjoy living close to the ocean. They are looking forward to visiting their friends in the tribes.

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