

Dear Praying Partners,

Our Prayer letter this quarter is truly a prayer letter – a letter written from Iba, Philippines while we are away from our home in Jakarta. The ocean breezes are blowing through our new home on the FEBC compound in Iba where our antennas run right out to the South China Sea. The roosters are crowing 24/7 and 40 workmen are now laboring each day on site as the Iba Renovation Project ramps up. We have had many questions as people have tried to figure out where in the world the West family is and what are plans are so let's see if we can answer a few.



Renovations Under Way at Iba Transmitter Site

Philippines: Bocaue and Iba. Bocaue may sound familiar to you as Guy worked for several years there as he helped to upgrade that shortwave facility right after we first arrived on the mission field in 1999. Bocaue is ready to go for the installation of one of the transmitters we are relocating. Iba, however, is not at all ready and is in need of a major upgrade to handle the new broadcast needs and the two transmitters that will be relocated there this year. FEBC asked Guy to be the Project Manager of the renovation project in Iba. We really felt that God has given Guy the necessary experiences so that he could be a blessing on this project so we said, “Yes, of course we will help.” The Iba renovation project will take around a year to complete. We will be spending at least two thirds of our time in Iba with each stay lasting around two months. In between we will be visiting other FEBC projects and our home in Jakarta so that we can stay out of VISA trouble in the Philippines where we will keep series of 57 day business visas and in Indonesia where we are official religious workers.

“Where is Iba?” Come with me as we make our way to Iba. Let's start with a 3 1/2 hour flight from Jakarta to Manila leaving at midnight and arriving in Manila at 6 am local time. Then grab a taxi to the FEBC compound in Valenzuela. If your taxi driver is nice, you can talk him into stopping at

“Are you moving from Jakarta?” No, we are not moving from Jakarta; we are just not living there for a while! After seeking Godly advice, we have decided to keep our visas and our house in Indonesia. God has truly blessed us with the religious worker visas he miraculously provided. Jakarta, with its low cost of living and the ease of travel to other locations around Asia continues to be the best base for Guy's ministry. Although this project will keep us mostly in the Philippines for the next year we expect to see Guy continue his travel schedule after Iba is finished.

“Why are you living in Iba?” FEBC has decided to consolidate all of its shortwave broadcasts at our two locations in the



Guy Joins the Workers for Afternoon Break Time

Pan de Manila for pandasal for breakfast. After a few days at the compound, it is time to get a taxi to Cubao to catch the Victory Liner bus heading north to Olongapo. They have vendors on the bus selling hot peanuts and cold water, but the bus also stops at Double Happiness for a short break and vendors come on the bus and sell hamburgers! 3 hours later we arrive at Olongapo and it is time to grab the luggage and change buses. Iba here we come! The Iba bus winds its way through beautiful rice fields and small towns along the



Chris and James in Line at the Jollybee Drive Up

coast of the South China sea. 3 hours later, we arrive at the terminal in Iba. We hire a tricycle driver to take us and our luggage to our new home on the FEBC compound 3 miles from town, but first we join the three other tricycles in the drive through at Jollybee to get some takeout for supper. With our luggage on the back and our pillows on the top of the tricycle, we drive in the dark to our new place. Out of town, past the school and take a left at the 2 story bamboo house, down the narrow road to where the pavement ends – just a bit farther now. Take a left at the FEBC sign, past more bamboo houses and the sari sari store and through the gate. We are home. I hope that you have enjoyed the journey!

Last Sunday, we listened to Pastor Jim from Marantha Baptist (via the internet) share from Romans 12:6 “We have different gifts according to the grace given us.” As we looked back to when we arrived in Manila in 1999, we are amazed at the gifts that the Lord has given us and the grace he has showered upon us to

continue on. The wisdom needed to manage a project in the Philippines, the financial gifts that allow us to travel, the stamina needed to travel on public transportation, the ability to live out of a suitcase – all of these gifts God has given us so that the body can continue to share the gospel to a hurting world via radio.

Wars, rumors of war and earthquakes – time is running out and we must be about our Father's work. We pray that this letter finds you all rejoicing in God's abundant grace for every situation. Thank you for your prayers and your gifts, both of which are vital to our continued ministry with FEBC.

Until All Hear

Guy, Chris and James West



First Supper at Our House in Iba

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