

Looking back over 2020 with Paul and Deb.... this year of 2020 has been one of the most exciting years ministry wise and has exceeded anything we ever could have envisioned! Praise God for His amazing ways that are beyond description!

The Philippines went into strict lockdown in many places starting March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2020. We were in Manila at the time finalizing things with the delivery of the Talaandig New Testaments, when suddenly the news was announced that all travel by land, air and sea to and from Manila would be cancelled and everything locked down. The Lord got us back to Mindanao on one of the very last flights late that night and we were hugely thankful not to get locked out of our home and place of ministry!

Our Bibles though sat in a warehouse in Manila for three more months and then suddenly and miraculously — in God's ALWAYS PERFECT TIMING — they arrived here and on June 28, 2020 we held our first Bible Distribution and Celebration at the church in Lapoc and NINE celebrations later, we finished at the church in Cauyunan which took place on July 12<sup>th</sup>, 2020!

In September we were able to launch our new evangelism series online that we've been working on since Oct 2019. Almost all 59 of our churches in the six regions where we minister immediately started using this series in their churches and also for outreach and they have found it to be a great tool that is generating much interest in the Gospel amongst their communities! Praise God for this, we are so thrilled and ask for prayer as we continue to develop this material in three different languages.

On November 4<sup>th</sup>, our church in Ricodo sent out a new missionary couple to the Baungon region, Jovanie and Jessel Cole and they are going to be joined this week by DanDan and Yayang Anggaon from our church in Lapoc. On November 29<sup>th</sup> we had our 10<sup>th</sup> and final Bible Distribution and Celebration in Baungon and it was very wonderful to be part of this and to see how fresh and eager our new missionaries are and how they were serving so beautifully that day! The Lord is greatly blessing his new baby churches in Kalanganan, San Vicente and Tamusan — all part of the Baungon region!

So this brings us to today, December 1, 2020 and next week Lord willing, we will arrive in Brisbane and after quarantine, we hope to fly to Perth and end this year by being able to finally hug our son again and to be with him for a time!

We hope to catch up with you while we're having some 'home assignment' time in Australia if the travel restrictions allow.

Have a blessed Christmas,  
LOVE Paul and Deb xxxx

