



Divine Appointment

Overwhelming. We face massive obstacles with the conversion of our AWA land and airstrip in Palawan. There are a multitude of systemic issues brought about by the many layers of governmental rules and processes (aka red tape) as well as years of turnovers which meant the momentum and in some cases the knowledge to convert AWA land is missing. Our forward progress is one step forward and sometimes two steps back as we discover mistakes, omissions and informational gaps by personnel involved in the original transaction and agreement. Bruce and I were awestruck by the conundrum of complex issues involved with converting the AWA airbase property from agricultural to non-agricultural land. Every corner we turned we unearthed another series of issues. Quickly, we both realized this is a major undertaking and sorting this out will only happen with Divine Intervention. We prayed and sought guidance from the Creator of all lands. We then realized the need for an attorney experienced in land ownership to help us sort through the myriad of rules and laws. We didn't even know an attorney in Palawan much less one experienced in real estate cases.

Early in March we anticipated the visit of our daughter, Tammie, and our son-in-law, Heber, to visit our Palawan project in April. However, the COVID19 pandemic brought

travel restrictions and safety issues, thus we found ourselves rushing to the airline office in Puerto Princesa on March 13th in order to get a full refund for their tickets.

The line was long to say the least. Tourists were trying to get out of Palawan and return home. Others just like us were cancelling scheduled flights. It was total pandemonium. We had been in line for four hours so Bruce decided to find us some food. Just after Bruce left, I heard a number called and no one came forward. The guard replied that the number belonged to an attorney who stepped out to get lunch; he will be right back. I felt compelled to ask the guard to please point the attorney to me when he returns from lunch and he obliged.

About half an hour later, a distinguished gentleman entered the office, the guard called me and whispered it was the attorney. I said a little prayer and approached him. I introduced myself and gave him a little background of our mission, organization and shared a summary of our dilemma. He listened but then the ticket agent called him and he excused himself from our conversation.

I accepted the possibility of being ignored so I went back to my seat. I was then startled when the attorney came to me to say goodbye. I immediately pulled Bruce's business card and asked him for his phone number which he willingly provided. When Bruce arrived, I relayed the wonderful story and after several text messages with the attorney he agreed to meet the next time we were in the city.



Then COVID19 happened! We went through many phases of community quarantine which meant months of being unable to go to the city. Finally, on June 9th we arranged to meet the attorney. Bruce and I were concerned that we would face enormous attorney fees to help resolve this massive property dilemma. The attorney said he could help us. During the conversation we learned that his father was from Aborlan and that he was a practicing Christian who would be fair and honest. Towards the end of our discussion, I had to ask the cost in order to make an appeal to family and friends to help support the land conversion process. His response, “nothing, just pray for me.” With watery eyes we praised the Lord--God knows what we need before we ask. We believe God has this problem solved, but we are to engage individuals in this journey that he wants us to witness the love of God and hope that Christ brings for us all. We praise God that He sent us Attorney Bob. What an awesome God we serve!

PRAYER REQUESTS:
 Please continue to lift Jennilyn up in prayer. We were told she's now pregnant and transferred to the city bakeshop.
 Please pray for the land ownership obstacles to be resolved quickly, but in His time. Our attorney fees are resolved, but there are many other expenses involved with converting and retitling the lots. Pray that we will continue to see His leading in this endeavor.

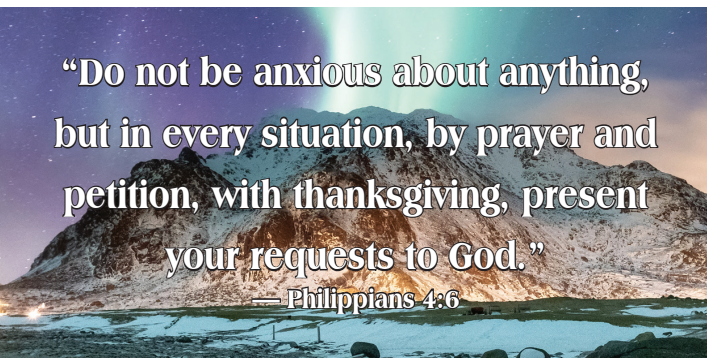

PROJECT NEEDS:
 To ensure safety of our team and its passengers, our 2001 Nissan Frontier needs some repairs to the tailgate and front bumper. Also, the worn and torn seatbelts need replacing. The projected cost is around \$200. If you can help, please contact the AWA office.

Airstrip Update

Runway markers up, aerodrome operations manual complete and permission to operate request sent to CAAP. Now, we wait!

Shoutout!

A shoutout and a thank you to Sandia View Christian school for providing books for encouraging our young ones. These thoughtful gifts were a tremendous blessing to the local kids who have been quarantined and isolated for over four months now and counting. They love them!

Your AWA Mission Family stationed at the Palawan Mission Project:
 Bruce and Monique Wilkerson