



## TRAVELING

“For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.”

—2 Timothy 1:7

Ray and I are currently in Wilson, NC at the AWA head office. We enjoy our time here, working with the staff. When we arrived, it was our intention to stay for a few weeks and then deploy to the next project in Ray’s Global profile, the Philippines. We are taking the new missionaries, the Hamombe’s with us to reopen the project that has been on hiatus due to strict Covid restrictions. But the days here became weeks as we realized that there was work to be done first in Wilson.

We had the blessing of driving Pumelela, Tali, and Daniel Hamombe to Asheville, NC and Steven and Sasha Leger to Franklin, NC to give the sermon at each church, share about themselves and ASK for support for the goal of deployment.

Ray worked alongside President and CEO, Ric Swaningson, head mechanic, Kyle Stevenson,

Pumelela and Steven to fix the fleet of planes that need constant upgrades and annual inspections.

One thing we have learned in the last few years is our life is directed by a higher command than our own and we remain faithful to the plans of God rather than our own direction and control. Over the last few months, the days were long, and the focus was on the maintenance of the planes. But it is now time to go and prepare the Philippine project, a new base manager is needed, the project revived, and security reinforced.

Having been to the base before we know what needs to be done. First issue will be to get the Berkey Gravity stainless water filter working for safe drinking water, clean the bedrooms so we







have a tidy place to rest the first night. Then starts the real deep clean of the home and balcony, sweeping out a few common Geckos that like to crawl the walls, hide near the fridge and perhaps see the Tokay gecko up on the balcony. I remember their distinct sound echoing in the gutters from the last visit!! The vehicle will need inspection so that we can drive into the local community to get provisions and the plane needs annualing so medical flights can start assisting the community in any medical issues that need a flight to the nearest hospital. We look forward to meeting with the small congregation and once again worshipping with them.

Currently we are praying for direction, strength and sound mind to get all the work done while we're there.

May God give us the wisdom to do as he directs and deliver as much love and mercy to a troubled and hurting world.

God entrusts us with talents, not to be hidden or used for our own benefit, but to be used to help

others. There is great joy in being part of God's work. As Jesus shared, when you use your talents for His purposes, you are invited to "Enter into the joy of your Lord." \*\* Matthew 25:21(NKJV).

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*Praise be,*

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