



THE PRIVILEGE OF MEETING THE CHIEF OF STAFF OF SAN VINCENTE, PALAWAN by Sherlyn

With my husband Jed, Ma'am Julie, and Sir Ray, we had our expedition to the North of Palawan to survey the airstrips and meet and partner with the Local Government Unit offering air ambulance service to those who need advanced health care in Puerto Princesa.

The three-day trip was challenging, for not all Municipal Mayors were available when we visited them in their offices. Meeting them is vital for negotiating and allowing us to land on community airstrips.

Despite not meeting some Municipal Mayors, we still proceeded to the Hospitals and community airstrips and met with locals bringing them hope for humanity with our air ambulance service. It was heartwarming to witness the joy of the locals upon knowing the service we offered. "The air ambulance is a great blessing for communities, especially for critical cases that need immediate transport to advanced health care facilities," one of the locals said.

On day three of our journey, we went to San Vicente Municipal Hall, hoping to meet the Mayor. It took us time to wait, yet we didn't have a chance to talk with her, for she had an important meeting. But we were still fortunate to sit and talk with Sir Carlo Buitizon, the Executive Assistant and Chief of Staff of the office of the Mayor. Our meeting with him went smoothly. He was eager and zealous to partner with us to support the community's medical needs. San Vicente's Mayor is the President of the League of Municipalities of the Province of Palawan. And one of her projects is aiding the medical needs of the community. Sir Carlo assured us to promote Adventist World Aviation and even invited us to attend their session with all the Mayors of the Province of Palawan. With that, it would be easier for us to meet the Mayors of Palawan and encourage them to support our mission.

The expedition ended with so much gratitude in our hearts. Despite the delays and not being able to meet some of the Mayors, God is still in control! He is not in delay; He is always on time. When we involve ourselves in the mission and serve the Chief of the Universe, He can accomplish infinitely more than we might ask or think through His mighty power at work within us. We thank God for letting us meet Sir Carlo Buitizon, the Mayor's Chief of Staff, who opened the door to opportunities to serve the community of Palawan better!

God bless you! The Philippines-Palawan Mission Team







