



### *All in Several Day's Work*

Traveling can sometimes be rough, but when you're asked to go to the other side of the world on a 17-hour flight to inspect an airplane in a remote location with little to no accommodations, it takes it to a whole new level.

Well, that's exactly what I'm doing right now as I write this update from the Philippines.

I am very happy that this trip, being my second time traveling to the Philippines, I get to be accompanied by my wife. This is her first time not only going to the Philippines but also her first time out of the United States. I don't normally get to have such a treat, but I'm very thankful indeed to have her support and to show her the ropes of traveling internationally.

Now, the whole purpose of this event itself is to complete an annual inspection of our aircraft serving in

the Philippines. We have a lovely base here in Aborlan on the island of Palawan, but it is far from perfect. The elements are severe, and with a daily temperature peaking in the 90s and a humidity level pushing what feels like over 100 degrees Fahrenheit, it can be very grueling.

Our aircraft here has been busy getting calls for medivac flights almost daily and needed servicing for its annual inspection. However, with the combination of weather, not having a hangar, and power outages happening almost daily for long periods, it took a little longer to accomplish than normal.

I was quite fortunate to have the help of two local mechanics, Krian and Marvin, who helped me complete the inspections and learned a few things from my experience doing inspections. Working in the heat of the day was pure





suicide, so we set a schedule to start early in the morning, take a break mid-day to avoid the hottest part of the day, and start again after the peak of the sun's blistering heat to work until sunset. We struggled at times (even the locals) with the heat, but we pressed on with inspections for a week straight, only stopping for the Sabbath rest and attending service at the local church here in Sagpangan.

Not only was I doing an aircraft inspection, but also upgrading a much-needed component of the aircraft to be more reliable. Just before I came to Palawan, our aircraft (N81708) had a vacuum system failure in flight, causing needed gauges to stop working. So we opted to upgrade to new digital gauges which are not only necessary but also improve the safety and reliability of the aircraft.

With all of this done, the aircraft is now ready to fly and waiting for a rain storm to pass so we can do a check flight to test everything out and make sure it's all working properly before I leave.

And once again, we will have to say goodbye to the Philippines and travel the long flight back home to the US. Until we meet again, Philippines. It's been a hard trip, but knowing our plane can fly safely and save lives, it's all worth it.


Thank you for your prayers, consideration, and ongoing support that helps us be of service to people like Jesse.



*God bless!*

*Until Next Time,*

*Kyle, Rebecca, and Hadahsa Stevenson*



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