



## GREETINGS IN CHRIST'S NAME

As we come into this session of 2024, there is a lot to look back on and be thankful for the goodness of God in our lives or ministry. I don't know how things went down in other parts of the world, but we got hit by a typhoon here in the Philippines. And in which a lot of people lost their lives and property within the country. It was something I had never seen before, but I came to witness how the weather hadn't been so good over the last couple of months. I thank God for His faithfulness and goodness over the years in my ministry, regardless of the challenges I face, but God is still good.

I spent some days in Manila last week. Since I returned to Manila, Philippines, I submitted all my papers to civil aviation to work on my radio and medical class 1 license. I traveled back to Palawan Island Aborlan, Adventist World Aviation Airbase, the following week. I met a long-time friend who is a missionary bush pilot, Captain Jed, with Adventist World Aviation. It was a blessing indeed cause we did some water survival training on the actual open salt water and training on the ground. The experience of the water survival training was an essential part of being a trainee pilot. As a mission pilot in

the Philippines, you usually fly over water. That training gave me an excellent opportunity to learn more about what to expect and do when ditching the aircraft in the open water in case of engine failure and emergency.

We also did orientation flights under the command of missionary pilot Capt Jed on the Adventist World Aviation Cessna 182 Pathfinder aircraft. It was a game changer, especially for someone like me who had been flying a Cessna 172 fixed-wing as a mission pilot in the Philippines. The transition to 182 will be a huge blessing to learn while tagging along on the flights and getting the most amazing feel of the aircraft, how it operates, and what the aircraft can do for God's work here.

I still have to work on many things, especially when flying and operating this kind of aircraft, Cessna 182. Here in the Philippines, by-laws require the Philippines Civil Aviation Authority to have a rating or type of similar aircraft before operating or flying. Therefore, in this case, which I don't have, I was required to get the rating to operate. It wouldn't be possible without your prayers and support. The training will take one to two months, depending on how fast the training goes. It will be a blessing for me to get rated and fly this aircraft here because it will be used for



medical flights to help the impoverished people of the Palawan Island community that need medical attention.

I am so blessed to be here in Palawan Aborlan under the Adventist World Aviation ministry to learn and support the work of God and extend God's love and support through the remote communities here. Your support and prayers will be greatly appreciated towards my journey of becoming an Adventist World Aviation missionary pilot here in Palawan.

Blessings

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