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SAFE LANDING IN MANILA FINANCIAL NEEDS IN CALAMBA

"We need your prayers and financial help at this important time in this mission."



A warm welcome in Manila about 6:00 a.m.

Greetings in the name of the Lord,

I am pleased to announce that we landed safely in the Philippines. We left home about 1:00 PM, Monday, December 24 and arrived at our apartment about 4:30 PM the next day which was about 8:30 AM Wednesday, December 26, Manila time. We had sweet fellowship with the people in Madera who saw us off and were greeted with more sweet fellowship by the large group who met us at the airport in Manila. Some had to get up around 2:00 AM to be there when our plane arrived. Yet another group was waiting for us when got to the church. It is so good to be with our people again.

A weak typhoon passed through the central Philippines. This is unusual for this time of the year, but we welcomed the cooling effect. When we landed in Manila around 5:30 AM the captain announced that the temperature was 79 degrees.

We had local pastors and elders with us for lunch Thursday, together with their wives. It was good to catch up on the news and see them again. We used this opportunity to conduct some important meetings.

Sis. Wheeler has been working with our office staff to get financial records in order.

6:00 AM prayer meetings have been good. Our people are praying for the Shorts, asking God to help them as they make final arrangements to come to the Philippines. We are asking God for His protection on their trip over here and asking Him to open the many doors needed to get settled into this country. We know that the next few months will offer so many challenges to this fine family, but we rest assured knowing that God gave them a distinct call and knowing He is greater than all opposition.

We have also been praying about the needs in Calamba. After more than three months in shelters, 14 families and two individuals were able to return home last week. This has become a serious problem. We would appreciate your prayers as we seek God's wisdom as to how to handle this difficult problem.

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In His Service,



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