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P.A.M.A.S Missions

We are so happy to share how God has lead and blessed the work in the Mayoyao area. These were the first evangelistic meetings ever held in this area that we know of.

A little background: Our missionary partners, Briane and Joy Lupkey and their two small girls dedicated their lives this last year to opening the work in this beautiful, rice-terraced area where there are no Adventist churches within 2 hours drive. With the help of several young adults from the LIGHT medical missionary group, they have built close relationships with many of the people using simple methods which lead to Bible studies like taking blood pressures, assisting with lifestyle changes, using charcoal and hydrotherapy, massaging, praying, and singing with patients and neighbors. We have found this to be such an effective and fun tool to reach the people of the Philippines!

This last August a bigger team of trained young-adult volunteers were brought in to Mayoyao to prepare for the evangelistic meetings which were held in September. All of this was done by faith (including this whole year of missionary work), and we praise God that through His grace and the help of local friends and family all expenses were taken care of.
The district pastor of this Ifugao region, Jonathan Ayangao was the speaker. A year ago he held “cottage meetings” in this area and several wanted to be baptized but he felt they were not ready yet. Braine and Joy came about this time and were able to continue studying with these people and many others until they realized it was time for some evangelistic meetings.

Everyone involved was careful not to work for “numbers” but for lasting and deep commitments to Jesus as their personal Savior. We praise God for the 15 people who made this commitment and were baptized on the last weekend. Two of these were pastors from other denominations! One of them continues to regularly share with his church members the things he has learned and is facing significant persecution so please keep him in your prayers!

Briane and Joy continue to oversee the Mayoyao project to ensure that the new members receive nurturing. They have also added another project to oversee: the Santiago LIGHT Bakery/restaurant project which has been developing over the last year. This family has sacrificed alot to work as full-time missionaries with only the promises of God that He will supply all their needs, which He has faithfully done. Though they have faced trials of sickness, and at times financial needs, God continues to protect their family and give them strength to continue on with the work God has given them. They continue to be invaluable partners with our PAMAS team with their experience, language skills, and many talents they have dedicated to the Lord.

Thank you for your continued prayers and support for Mayoyao and all the PAMAS ministries. Enjoy the pictures. More updates and pictures will follow in another email.

By Wendy Harris, PAMAS (Philippine Adventist Medical Aviation Services)
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Flying In The Face Of The Storm

It was a very long hard day... I had been up at 3:50am. By 3:30pm I was hurriedly offloading my last load so I could beat the sun to the horizon. The end of my day was mercifully in sight. That is... until someone informed me that there was a medivac waiting for me 15 minutes over the mountain in Kaikan village. What do you do? I knew that I wouldn’t make the sunset deadline, but I also knew that the lady in Kaikan really needed medical attention. So immediately after I launched from Paruima, I called my wife on the airplane’s HF radio and asked her to call Timehri Control Tower and request permission to land up to 15 minutes after sunset. Five minutes later my wife called back, and said that I had up to 15 minutes from sunset. This was the first Even with this grace period, I knew that it would still be close.

On the flight from Kaikan Village back to Georgetown, about half way back I noticed in the distance that there was a storm looming directly in my flight path. I knew that I wouldn’t have much time to deviate, so I flew straight toward the storm, knowing that if something didn’t happen, I could be in for a real ride! About two miles away from the storm I noticed that it appeared to be dissipating. It literally dissolved about 1-2 miles ahead of my aircraft and I flew through the entire area and didn’t get a single drop on my aircraft! While I was watching this phenomenon happen, a still small voice began repeating the words of hymn #529 “Under his Wings, I am safely abiding”. Halfway through the storm, the clouds parted to my left revealing a triangle of sunshine and the most brilliant rainbow.

I know it may sound like small coincidences, but I’m convinced that there is an infinite God who cares about little things, and he takes great delight in opening the way before us. Isn’t that what Proverbs 3:6 promises? “and He shall direct your path.”

By James Ash, Guyana Mission
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“Dr. Creed you and your team must return to Kimbia every 3 months and within a year you would have repaired all the cavities in the district. We would have to return much more frequently and for a longer duration to bring Kimbia and the surrounding villages up to par.” The retort from Warren Creed, Senior dentist at Davis Memorial Hospital in Georgetown was a sobering assessment of the dental condition of the residents in Guyana’s interior.

The entire dental and medical team worked tirelessly treating 50-70 people per day. The four day medical and dental clinic definitely created and “Opening wedge” to share the gospel.

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Construction Development

Construction of the new GFN TV station and studio is now on hold due to lack of funds. How will God provide for His project? Time will tell but rest assured that God has promised that this station would be built and His Good News would be broadcast over the airwaves here in Grenada and via satellite to the English speaking world. Please keep this project and all of its potential in your prayers.

TV and Radio
Broadcast Development

Except for a couple of miscellaneous items which should arrive in the next week or so, all the equipment purchased to cover the island of Grenada with radio and the southern end of the island with TV has arrived at our shipping/receiving location in the US. Steve Shedell, our GFN programming director, is making sure all the equipment has been received and he is loading media on the broadcast computers. Once all the equipment is accounted for and the media is loaded on the hard drives, everything will be shipped to Grenada. We are expecting a delivery date in September. Thank you to those who have sacrificed to make all this possible and please continue to keep the installation of all the equipment in your prayers.

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