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Dear Friends and Family:

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“Stand up and bless the LORD your God for ever and ever: and blessed be thy glorious name, which is exalted above all blessing and praise,” Neh. 9:5. Truly our God does great things for us. He also works in and through us if we are willing to let Him.

On Sunday, July 22, Rachel Uhler and I went to Las Pinas Baptist Church. A young man who works with their music ministry invited us to come. Rachel gave a short afternoon session on playing the violin, and we gave a mini concert following her lecture. I did not plan to give an organized session on piano playing in the local church, but the Lord did give me a few young pianists to talk with. It was very exciting to visit a local church ministry in which there are many budding instrumentalists. There were about fifteen string players and several pianists. One young man learned a little violin and then proceeded to teach others based on his small bit of knowledge. He has also taught himself piano and expressed a desire to learn more. I was able to talk with a young lady and give her some hymnplaying and arranging tips as well. She has only had a few years of lessons, but she played for congregational singing and the church choir.

The first two Sunday afternoons of this month I helped my roommate Beth with a Bible club. We join a few others from the church and go to a squatter neighborhood. We seat about 30-40 children on the sidewalk and sing, teach a Bible story, introduce a verse, and play a game. These children are very open to the gospel, as are some of the teenagers and adults that hang around. One little boy is blind, but he listens carefully and can answer the questions accurately when asked. This provides an excellent opportunity for me to practice my Tagalog, as the children and their families communicate mostly in their native tongue. Some do not understand English. Please pray for these children and others we get to speak to in this neighborhood. We are not the only ones trying to evangelize this squatter area; we have noticed Mormon missionaries trying to “witness” as well in this same street. Please pray that the people will understand the true Gospel that we share.

Please continue to pray for the following requests:

1. Church attendance/Spiritual Growth: Marilyn Dayao, Angelita Hipolito. Marilyn was not at home when Ate Jeanne stopped by recently, but Ate Jeanne was able to see Angelita again.
2. Salvation: Sarah. She has now returned to Korea. Please pray that she will read and understand the Korean “A Simple Plan of Salvation” tract we gave her.
3. Salvation: Christina, the lady from my flight over here. She e-mailed me this month to thank me again for helping her with her luggage in the airport.
4. Opportunities to witness

5. My health: I am recovering from a flu virus that has kept me down for over a week. The fever is gone now, but my strength is not totally back. This is our mid-semester break week, so my load is not as busy as it normally is. It was exciting to be able to teach some of my students today.

6. Please pray for Joseph, a new BJMBC student. He is our first student to come from Bangladesh. He arrived late into the semester due to problems obtaining the correct documents for international travel/residency. Please pray for his adjustment into the Filipino culture and the rigors of studying at BJMBC. We are excited about the potential of reaching Bangladesh through this young man.

Thank you so much for your consistent prayers and support.

In the service of the King,

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"I will sing unto the Lord as long as I live."



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