## Asher



My name is Asher. I am the eldest son of Winston and Jannette.

I've been a Christian since birth, but my relationship with the Lord blossomed on July 1, 2001.

This is when I truly understood why Jesus died on the cross for my sins and that I would have eternal life once I take up my own cross and follow Him. I was 9 years old then.

There have been a lot of moments when I needed God's help. When I was about to undergo surgery (caused by hernia), I asked for His help. When 4 impacted teeth were taken out of my mouth, I asked that He would give me the strength to endure the pain. When I was doing my thesis to finish college, I asked Him to give me the strength to stay up late and have peace of mind. When I have no money, I ask from Him and I receive. The Lord has been blessing me and answering my prayers.

As a son of a missionary, I have witnessed how God has been using my dad to bless other people and bring them to the Lord. My father has been involved in the urban poor ministry and serving as a pastor in our church, Christ Our Life Fellowship for more than a decade now. I have seen the Lord bless our family. We face challenges, but God is always there for us. We always have a meal to eat. He has blessed us with a new car. A lot of rich people here in the Philippines haven't travelled in Europe. He allowed us to travel and visit beautiful countries in Europe such as France, Germany and The Netherlands even though we aren't wealthy.

I am now 23 years old. Not too young, and not too old. I have come to know the Lord in amazing ways, yet I am still growing in Him. I still have a lot to learn from Him, and I expect those things in this season of my life where I will be working as a missionary like my dad.

I think the Lord is leading me to work in the urban poor ministry. Right now He is teaching me to be faithful and patient, since working as a missionary means raising your own support. I haven't had supporters of my own for this ministry, but God has given for my aviation school scholarship fund. As a Christian, it is my greatest desire to serve Him by being a missionary pilot for Mission Aviation Fellowship. My work there would be transporting relief goods, flying missionaries and pastors, transporting medical supplies and patients to the nearest hospital and share the Gospel to people who are living in remote areas.



We are still raising funds for the aviation school, and God is teaching me to have faith in Him and be patient. The Lord is in control of my life. He has his own timing.

Someday, when I meet Jesus face to face, I want to be able to hold my head up high and be proud of the good things that I have done here on earth for His glory. I praise Him for his wonderful deeds in my life and in my family.