

MINISTRY AND FAMILY HIGHLIGHTS OF YEAR 2017

We praise the Lord for the year 2017 that has been full of God's wonders in our family as well as in ministry. We look forward to year 2018 with hope, light and love of God in Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior! Here are some highlights of the year. We couldn't have done all this without your love, prayers and partnership.

Trip to Europe in May

The Lord gave us, Jannette and me the opportunity to see finally our friends in England, and to meet other people in Scotland, Taize (France), and Geneva (Switzerland). I Winston had the chance to share the ministry of Companion With The Poor at a church in Aberdeen, and on various occasions to other people from other countries. God gave us many lovely, thrilling and fantastic experiences while being there. The Lord showed us his love through many people and gave us new friends. We definitely miss all the special people we met. He provided all our needs.



CWTP Team among the poor in Cebu City

Companion With The Poor sent a team of two couples and a single guy to plant a church at Buhisan, Cebu City. This is the first team to be sent outside of Luzon so this is both quite exciting and daunting. It is exciting to see the work of the Lord among the slum dwellers through our team there.



There are four other new church-planting ministries that were started: Three in Cavite City and one in Taguig City.

Teaching Ministry in Batanes

I was given an opportunity to be part of a teaching team in Batanes, Philippines. I taught "How to Plant a Church Among the Poor" to about 28 *Ivatans* for five days, and



was invited to speak to two churches. It was delightful meet many *Ivatans* and to be able to see the wonders of God's creation in nature.

Taking the helm of CWTP as Executive Director

In February I took the challenging role of the Executive Director in CWTP. Looking back now, if I had the choice, I wouldn't have accepted it. But as Christ said to Peter, "When you were young you dressed yourself and went wherever you wished, but when you get old you'll have to stretch out your hands while someone else dresses you and takes you where you don't want to go (Matthew 21:18 The Message)." – So I go where the Lord wants me to go.

Prayer Retreat with 54 people

In July I led 54 people in a silent prayer retreat in Tagaytay City for three days. This was a time to facilitate prayers, meditation, and rest for those who attended. Times like this are a time for spiritual rejuvenation for our missionaries and other church workers. It was an occasion full of God's presence and joy.



Asher Micah enrolled in a Flight School

Asher Micah, our son, desiring to serve the poor as a missionary pilot, got enrolled in a flight school. The fee for this training has been too big for us but the Lord provided his needs. He is continuing his training and waiting for his Check-Ride, when he passes it, God willing, he will be given his Private Pilot License (for Cessna aircrafts). Praise the Lord!



Jannette is back (after getting sick herself while taking care of dad) writing her doctoral dissertation, which she needs to finish in five months. She is a gift from the Lord to me and to our children for the last 26 years. She has stayed all these years to be loving, gentle, caring and hard-working. She has countless friends.

Ariel Lev will begin her M.A. in Art Theory in January the University of the Philippines.



Anya Dara is in her 4th year in college taking Social Work. She is writing her thesis this semester.



Thank you for your love, partnership and prayers! Have a blessed 2018 to all!

Love and prayers,
The Pinzons