

THE QUIÑONES' NEWS LETTER: APRIL 2020

TEAM TAIWAN

The COVID 19 Pandemic!

Thank you very much for your prayers, kindness, and generosity in supporting us. May the Lord bless you abundantly for His glory! Many of you have asked about our health and situation. By the grace of God we are doing well, praise the Lord. Our visa acquisitions have stopped since the government-imposed lockdown. They are taking extra precautions and people are to stay home as much as possible.

We are currently waiting out the coronavirus crisis in Philippines. Shirley continues to teach Verse at home. We are in communication with our Leaders, Pastors, and fellow believers. This is a difficult time, but we are encouraging our Pastors and Missionaries to stand firm in the Lord Jesus Christ and to focus on Him during this time. Many of our ministers are using social media in greater measure now to minister to their members.



The Lord is sustaining us all, and He will make all things new again. We are praying for all our dear friends and supporters in our ministry. No matter what your situation, please remember the words of the Apostle Paul, ***“For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of love, power and a sound mind.”*** (2 Timothy 1:7).

What can you do during lockdown?

This timely question from our International Director, Ben Anderson, motivated me during lockdown. We can **SERVE** during this situation.

- S** – Share the Gospel of the Grace of God using technology.
- E** – Encourage by sending appreciation notes.
- R** – Resources you can give to those in need.
- V** – Value time with your loved ones.
- E** – Example of Christ-likeness, love the people in your household.

We have begun to do some relief work. Please consider helping us in our efforts.

Your prayers and help are really appreciated.



Thank you very much for all your prayers and support!



May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

Blessings,

Vincent & Shirley, Verse and Sveinn Quiñones

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ROLAND & BEVERLY IMPROSO—TEAM TAIWAN

Dear Brethren,

April 2020

Greetings in the wonderful name of Jesus! We hope that you and your family are safe from the threat of the COVID 19 pandemic. Though almost all of our activities are interrupted by this disease, still there is one thing that it cannot stop - that is our relationship with the Lord. Indeed, nothing can separate us from the love of God (Romans 8:39). We are eternally secure in Christ. And in the midst of this, we believe that God will work all things for our good (Romans 8:28). This is what we've been holding onto.

Last month we tried to apply for student visas at the Taiwan embassy. We secured all the requirements needed. But when we were already in the embassy, the officers at two different windows said that we needed to do something else with our application and that we needed to submit additional requirements. Needless to say, we weren't able to submit our application. This made us a little frustrated because the situation didn't make sense. But now as we look back, we only want to thank and praise God for guiding us along the way. Had we been able to secure our visa we still couldn't go to Taiwan because of the lockdown in the Philippines and in Taiwan.

This made us realize that this delay is for our protection, rest and more preparation. Maybe these are also the reasons why your plans have been interrupted by COVID 19. We may not understand it now, but we can put our trust to God that he will make all things work for good. Have a blessed day and stay safe!

Yours in Christ, **Roland and Beverly Improso, TCM Missionaries to Taiwan**

Note from the TCM Office: Upon returning from Manila after attempting to file their visa applications for Taiwan, Roland and Beverly were on home quarantine for 14 days. With no chance to prepare for lockdown and not allowed out of their house, they were very thankful for the Lord's provision of daily food through members of their church and friends. Here are a couple posts from Beverly's Facebook during that time:

Day 9: Glad to be home quarantined with my dear Roland and niece, Athena. It's day 9 of our 14-day mandatory home quarantine and we've still got some food, mostly canned goods and noodles though. Thankfully, we were able to buy some fruit and fish through Facebook, free delivery! Thanking God for the provision and protection.

Day 13: Yesterday's blessings: a flat of eggs, a plate of egg-rolls and a salad. It may seem over the top to post on Facebook every single thing you receive but I'll do it anyway. I am just so grateful because God makes ways to supply our needs! Of course, I have always been grateful to God for blessing us tremendously. But being in a mandatory home quarantine has taught me to be even more grateful and appreciative even for the smallest and simplest blessing we receive (because even if you have the money, you can't go out to buy what you need or want). Good things still happen amidst the covid-19 pandemic. And I give glory and thanks to God for this! Don't lose hope, turn to God instead.