



July-Aug 2026

The Patton Family

MISSIONARIES TO THE PHILIPPINES



Dear Pastor and church family,

We have some exciting news to share. We are coming to the States this fall for furlough! We are preparing paperwork and buying tickets to come back in November and stay through until sometime in the spring. We have two main goals for returning. The first is to reunite with family and spend the Thanksgiving and Christmas seasons with our loved ones and home church. The second goal is to raise more support. We have been here in the Philippines for four years now. With inflation and a growing family and church plant, there are needs that we can no longer cover with our current support.

We are blessed to have faithful members here who will be helping to make this trip possible for us. We have confidence that the ministry here will stay strong while we are away. In July, Grace Baptist celebrated our second anniversary. We had a full church building and presented the gospel to those in the service.

We also started Sunday evening services and Sunday school in July. It has been a blessing to see our members coming faithfully every time the church doors are open. We have men's, women's, and children's Sunday classes following our morning service.

Our family also took two trips during July and August. We drove to Dumaguete (about 5 hours away) to submit paperwork for Grayson's passport. Then the following week, we had an appointment to renew Landon's passport at the consulate in Cebu (a 6-hour trip including a ferry ride). We have since heard that all passports have been approved and are in the mail! Praise the Lord!

In August, we restarted the children's Bible Club outreach and had both regulars and new children in attendance. For now, we will be hosting these once a month with the intent of reaching more families in the neighborhoods surrounding the church. We are thankful for a young couple who will be leading this ministry alongside us.



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Please pray for us in the coming months as we prepare for church events and ministries. We have two teenage girls in our church who are not saved. We have witnessed and talked to them about making that decision. They are not yet ready to commit. Pray for tender hearts and courage to receive Jesus as their Savior. We have also had several visitors in attendance over the last month. Some have come back to attend other services. We are excited for the future of this church's growth.

As we prepare for furlough, we would also like to present some financial needs:

- 1) We will need to take a 2-3 day trip for Grayson's Philippine registration, which can only be done at the main immigration office in Manila. This trip will cost around \$600.
- 2) We have secured tickets back to the US for our furlough because they were a good price for this time of year. The cost of the tickets is \$ 2,500.
- 3) Recently, the foundation of our water filtration system gave way during a storm and damaged the tank and pump. These will need to be replaced since the current repair is temporary. The cost is about \$750.
- 4) We have been looking and praying for a large-capacity transport vehicle for the church ministries. Our truck is no longer able to accommodate ministry transportation. The price is about \$9500.

If you can, please pray with us that these needs will be met. We know our needs are in God's hands. We thank you for your faithfulness in loving and supporting our family!

Serving the Lord with Gladness,

The Pattons - Nathan, Marissa, Landon, Logan & Grayson