



Tess, Mark, John, & Daniel

# The Varney Family to the Philippines

Holding fast the  
Faithful Word



Dear Friends,

August, 2026

Our church in Puerto Princesa City, Palawan has been, for many young people, a place of transition. University students come in from one to four years; some stay longer. We recently had the happy and thankful experience to learn that one such couple who had moved abroad for employment, has finally come to a clear understanding and trust in the gospel, and New Testament truth. While working abroad, they encountered another ministry who apparently taught them the same things that we tried to instill. We were grateful that this young family wrote to express their freedom from blind traditions, to the liberty and glory of the gospel of grace.

John Mark celebrated his 31st birthday, and is blessed with good health, a stable mind, and a good wife. Hannah is juggling a full-time banking position, and Law school courses.

Daniel Jazz, our youngest, successfully completed Driver's training, but must still face the government driving examination in December. DJ is in eleventh grade, and has enrolled in a new school.

With the arrival of the new school year, there has been a predictable increase in church attendance. We are nearing the end of an 18-month study of the book of Acts, as well as an 18-month study of the 12 Minor Prophets. Both studies have been a real blessing to pastor and people alike.

We had the privilege of speaking at the anniversary service of a church which is pastored by one of the young couples from our church. Please pray for Tess and me as we are increasingly called upon to counsel younger couples in the gospel ministry. Thank you so much for your prayers and support as we continue the work God has called and enabled us to do!

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