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Dear Friends:

Jayson Pansing and his wife Stephanie met as students at **Westside Baptist College of Ministry** in Dipolog City. They both came from different churches pastored by alumni of the first Bible college we started years ago in Cagayan de Oro City. Jayson's father was Muslim, and his mother was Roman Catholic. Both of Jayson's parents eventually came to the Lord and are now faithful members of the same church where Jayson was saved.

After **Jayson and Stephanie** graduated from college in 2015, Stephanie went to work in her home church, and Jayson came to work for us at **Salug Valley Baptist Church** in Molave. **Jayson and Stephanie** did not get along very well while they were in school together because their personalities often clashed. However, a couple of years after they graduated, I began thinking about their individual strengths and weaknesses, and looked at the differences in their personalities. That is when I realized that they might actually be right for each other.

After explaining all of Stephanie's positive qualities to Jayson, and telling him why she would be a good wife for him, I suggested he pray about starting a relationship with her. At first, he was incredulous that I would even consider that. But he agreed to at least pray about it. Then without his knowledge, I did the same thing with **Stephanie**, and received the same initial reaction from her. Yet, she also consented to pray about it. The Lord worked in their hearts and after about a year they got married. They now have one child, a precious little boy named **Bryce**.

Jayson, Stephanie and Bryce are now on **deputation** going to the **country of Cambodia** as foreign missionaries. We are thrilled about what the Lord has done in their lives over the last ten years, transforming them from wide-eyed college freshmen to mature Christians with hearts to serve. We believe the Lord will do a great work through them in **Cambodia**.

Please pray for this young family as they travel around the islands of the Philippines seeking to raise their support and to enlist people to pray for them. Currently they are visiting churches on the northern island of Luzon. Later in the year they will return to Mindanao to continue deputation on this island. If you would like to help Jayson and his family reach Cambodia, please let me know.

This family is just one example of **the great impact you are having** on the lives of people around the world through your participation in the work of world missions. May God continue to bless you and supply your needs in return.

Sincerely in Christ,

The Rice Family
Bruce, Jeanne, and Emily

