



Serving in Manila, Philippines

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*Local Ministry*

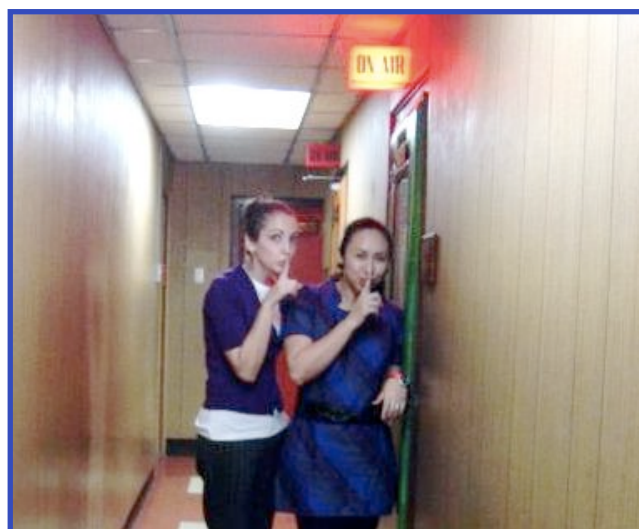
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When I first did ministry in Manila on the Doulos over a year ago, I knew that working with local people was something I wanted to do again. I had my first chance recently when I was invited by a friend to participate in a medical ministry to a disadvantaged area of Manila. We showed up on Saturday morning with medical supplies and two doctors who volunteered their time. While the patients waited to see the doctors, they were able to hear the gospel; the reason we were all there. Though I knew nothing about prescriptions and didn't speak the language, I did my best and had a blast! It's true that love crosses all barriers. I even had a great bonding moment with a precious four-year-old girl who was my shadow all day. I praise God for opportunities like this and look forward to doing more!



I found the perfect apartment that was nicely furnished. Praise God for his provision!



A colleague and I visiting a local radio station to promote Monsoon's work

## Monsoon

I am aware that many people are still confused about what specifically I am doing in Manila through Wycliffe. Truth is, I wasn't quite sure myself until after I arrived. It's now been about three months since I arrived and I've had such a great time getting to know the people in the office and getting adjusted to the work I'm doing here. Monsoon focuses on doing communications consulting for any Wycliffe Organizations or partner organizations in Asia-Pacific. I am the first person with a broadcasting background so much of my time the past few months has been talking to different partners and figuring out who has opportunities for broadcasting and how I can help.

There are currently two partners in our area that have a specific need and I'm thrilled to work with them to see it filled. Though we don't have a production studio here in Manila, we can help by consulting, giving suggestions, brainstorming, and using our background to help partners meet their end goal in the most effective way possible.

I am also working on getting our office set up with social media. It is an exciting and fun medium to use to engage with the public. As a communications office it is important we are leading the way in things like this. So I was given ownership of the research and implementation. I've greatly enjoyed the task!

Working from an office is not always easy. Sometimes you want to be out there seeing the fruits of what you are doing, not just hearing about it. But I know God has called me to the work here and I feel so privileged to be a part of it!

There may be more questions you have about what kind of work I am doing and what life is like in the Philippines. Please feel free to email me and I will feature you next month in a question and answer portion. Don't worry, if you'd prefer to remain anonymous, that can be arranged too!

## Praise and Prayer Requests:

### Praise:

- Continued adjustment to life in Manila
- Great apartment
- Found a church I love and am making new friends there
- Opportunity to get LASIK eye surgery
- Chances to minister in the community
- Blessings in abundance!

### Prayer:

- More passion for the work
- Spiritual growth
- Continued opportunities for ministry
- To become more like Christ and less myself; selfless heart and true love for the lost
- Wisdom for decisions

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