

04 Newsletter Update May 2011

Greetings, dear friends!

Our last update was in February and Easter has come and gone. With Jesus' death and resurrection we are realizing that each day is truly a new day! While we are busy in partnership development mode, God has taught us to always be prepared to give a reason for the hope that we have. The other week, Wayne had the opportunity to explain the gospel to a co-worker while driving him home from work. While parked in front of his house, Wayne's co-worker responded "Thank you for shedding light on the topic"

Sharing our story

We are so thankful for people who have been advocating our call to the Philippines. We have had numerous opportunities to share our journey with many churches and even at John Knox Christian school. We are so encouraged the pastors and churches are sincerely interested in the work. Questions were raised such as: "What is the success rate of the programs at 2nd Mile?"

2nd Mile Campus

As we share our story, we realize we should include more news and information about the ministry. So, with each newsletter, we decided we will come up with some FAQs (Frequently Asked Questions) to help you understand the work we will be involved in.

What and where is 2nd Mile? 2nd Mile Compound is the where the three ministries: Working Hands, Honest Hands, Mustard Seed is located. It is located in Balubad 2, Silang, Cavite, Philippines (approximately 2 hours south of Manila)

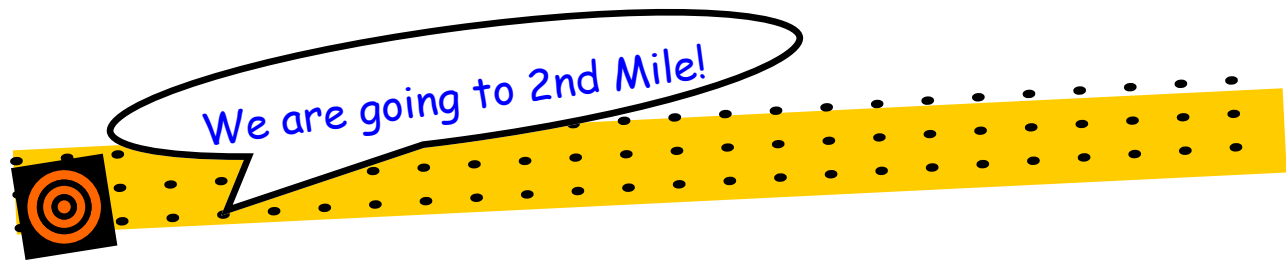
Is 2nd Mile where you will be staying? Yes. Aside from the vocational school, 2nd Mile Compound also has housing for the missionaries who are serving at the school. Thankfully, one of the houses is available and is being reserved for us.

What will you be doing at 2nd Mile? Wayne will be the School Chaplain – leading Bible studies and devotionals, following up the graduates, and assisting the instructors in the shop. Phoebe will be assisting in the administrative needs of 2nd Mile but she will also be homeschooling their son, Jouren.

Next newsletter, we will tell you more about **Honest Hands Discipleship Home**. The goal is to be able to disciple, encourage and challenge young men from rough backgrounds (street kids, school drop outs, squatter kids) to grow strong and deepen their faith in Jesus Christ as they serve Him. See back page for a short testimony from one of the recent Honest Hands graduate.



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Jehovah Jireh (The Lord who Provides)



We have reached 100% of our one time moving expenses! We thank God for partners who have given generously and sacrificially. As for our monthly support, we are at 26%. A detailed breakdown of our financial needs is available. If you are interested to know more, please email us wayne.wong@actionintl.org and we will be glad to connect with you. Our target date to leave for the Philippines is still set for September 2011. Action Canada would like to see us have 100% support (either pledged or given) before we are given clearance.

Prayer points:

- ◆ Continued opportunities to share our story and as we share, that God will be glorified.
- ◆ God will bring forth more partners and advocates for the work at 2nd Mile.
- ◆ For our present church ministries, that God will raise up leaders who will take over.
- ◆ The contacts we have at our weekly Conversation Corner – that the Spirit will touch their hearts, and they will seek and find Jesus.
- ◆ Wayne's family to come to an understanding of who Jesus is and will want to follow Him.

Thank you for your partnership. We love to hear from you, let us know how we can pray for you!

Blessings,
Wayne and Phoebe with Jouren

Testimony from an Honest Hands Graduate:

Alfred (21): "At Honest Hands I experienced the joy of being close to God – His presence. Before I did not think about the results of my sinful life or about what was right or wrong. I only wanted to have fun, and of course to survive my difficult life. I only focused on myself, and only trusted myself – I did not trust other people or God now my focus and vision have changed. God is good, and He loves us and I have grown close to Him."



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