



Summary of PRAYER WAVES for January 2018

Joe Grimwood

Joe is serving as an Envision Intern for a year. He has been on the Latvia Envision Team, spent a couple of months working at Mission Centre and is now in the Philippines serving a placement with Cubao Reformed Baptist Church.

A lot of Joe's time is spent working alongside the staff of Christian Compassion Ministries or CCM. CCM aims to provide physical and material help for people who are very much in need, while also showing them to truth of the gospel and giving them spiritual help. This is in two main areas, the first of which are the 2 children's homes that they run. There is a home for girls and more recently also a home for boys. Children end up in the homes for a variety of reasons which could be severe financial issues, neglect or even abuse. The second area is an educational assistance programme, which provides resources to families who cannot afford to send their children to school, so that their children can go to school and hopefully break the cycle of poverty.

Joe has been working alongside a CCM chaplain called Levi. Levi helps arrange and run bible studies with those families involved with CCM, he oversees the devotions that happen in the children's homes and trains some of the social workers in sharing the bible with those they come into contact with.

Joe has been able to attend some of the bible studies in the community and meeting some of the many mothers that come along to these. Because many of these mothers are nominal Catholics it is very hard to work out where they are in their faith. They can say the right things, but whether those are being lived out in their lives is a different matter.

Joe has also been able to get involved with the Drop-In Centre for the homeless at the church. People can come in from 4pm and have a shower, wash clothes, have some food and hear the gospel in a short evangelistic talk before either hanging around to chat for longer or heading off.

Prayer Points:

- **For the work of Cubao Reformed Baptist Church and Joe as he works alongside them.**
- **Pray that people would be saved and grow as Disciples of Christ.**
- **Pray for the upcoming Pastors' conference where 300 pastors come together to be taught.**
- **Pray for Brian and Necy Ellis and wisdom for what be involved in during 2018.**