



McGrath's News

"Break open Your words, let the light shine out, let ordinary people see the meaning."

Psalm 119:130—The Message

ATTENTION, Ladies & Gentlemen:
This is the final boarding call for JGL Flight 5469 boarding at Gate 1, bound for Manila, Philippines! Please proceed to the attendant at the gate and board the aircraft! Have a pleasant flight and thank you for flying JGL!

See you on the other side!

Of this world!

Lord, willing, the above announcement is what we will hear on Monday morning, May 25th, 2009, as we embark on an exciting and somewhat terrifying journey, which will see us land 12 time zones around the other side of the world!

The Lord has been so gracious to us and enabled us to be almost ready for departure, providing at every step of the way. He has opened up a place for us to store our stuff on this side of the world, while opening up a furnished home for us to occupy and a car to drive while on the other side of the world. Two missionary couples returning home, needed to sell. One couple was in need of selling the furnishings in their home, while the other had a car to

sell. Both fit our budget, so we are all praising the Lord for His provision. BTW (By the way), the townhouse we will live in has 4 bedrooms and 5 bathrooms, so we will have room for company!!!

Here is a brief overview of our schedule, until departure:

April 26th - share with High Park Baptist Church in Toronto

May 3rd - share with our home church family at Northside Community Church

May 4th - visit Philippine embassy in Toronto to apply for visas

May 7th - return to pick up Visas

May 9th - put possessions, being left behind, in storage

May 15th - boxes shipped to Manila

May 16th - furniture sale/pick up

May 17th - Commissioning service at Northside Community Church

May 18th - finish emptying apartment

May 19th - have apartment cleaned

May 20th-23rd - stay with Don & Nan (daughter) in London

May 24th - Phil (son) driving us to motel at airport with all our luggage

May 25th - 5:00 AM to airport for check-in, seating, customs, etc

7:50 AM flight is schedule to leave - "Wanna see us off?"

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See you on the other side!

Of the world to come!

Of much more importance, of course, is the question - will we see you on the other side of the world to come!! A newer gospel song makes this comment - "In this world there are many options, but in the world to come there are only two!" And those two are heaven and hell! And our question to you is - "Where will you spend eternity, with only these two options open?" Further help is available at our website at: www.lively.ca/gospelmessage.php.

I am sorry that we cannot provide you with a detailed timetable of how events for your life will unfold, other than to

remind you that one day you will face providing an answer to the above question. And the only right answer will surround your decision regarding Jesus Christ and the salvation that He has provided for you on the cross of Calvary.

So our question is will we see you on the other side of the world to come? We have assurance, based only on the Bible, the Word of God that we will be in heaven – not because of any effort or work that we have done – but through His mercy and grace. (Ephesians 2:8, 9. This same mercy and grace is open to you. Will you receive Him today if you haven't already? We would be so glad to talk to you further before we leave or even after we leave!! Just contact us!

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And BTW, there is also plenty of room in heaven for you, too!

(John 14:6)

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This will be our last letter from Canada, Lord willing. Our next letter will be after we have arrived in the Philippines – after we have recovered from jet-lag, and hopefully with exciting opportunities to share with you of the unfolding ministry we will be privileged to share in.

Thank you again for your partnership in prayer, encouragement and financial support. You can see the end of our letter for our latest financial position. As we mentioned before we are being allowed to go without 100% support, because we are supplementing the deficit from personal funds. Our desire is to see some or the entire deficit realized during our first term.

For our Canadian partners:

A gentleman from our home church, Mr. Bob Reay is a financial consultant. Bob is offering his services to anyone who might be interesting in exploring creative ways to use their investments' earnings to invest through us in the Lord's work.

Bob can be contacted at robert.reay@rogers.com or 519-763-9200 or 800-876-9974

All contacts and information are strictly confidential. We will have no knowledge if you do or do not contact Bob. We simply share the opportunity, knowing you will prayerfully choose to use it or not.

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Mark support sent to the office “for the ministry or work of Eric & Sharon McGrath”

April Support Status Report:

BALANCE REQUIRED \$800/mth

This reflects increase in US exchange & our personal funding.

Praise God for His faithfulness!

Thank you for praying with us for the balance.