



The Guthrie Family

Who? Duane and Carin Guthrie have twin children, Caleb and Paige.

When? The Guthries have been working with Canadian Baptist Ministries since 2008.

Where? Duane and Carin began their work with CBM in Bolivia, where they were catalysts for the establishment of a ministry movement directed toward the marketplace, involving business and church leaders throughout the country. In July of 2015, the Guthrie family transitioned to Manila, Philippines.

What? Deeply committed to the poor, their work includes discipleship and the mentoring of entrepreneurs, business leaders, and church leaders in order to teach principles of integral mission. The aim of integral mission is that each Christian and Christian community would glorify God and use the gifts God has given them in all aspects of word and deed.



Over 7000 islands form an archipelago known as the Republic of the Philippines.

A recent update from the Guthries says: "A significant part of CBM's commitment to marketplace ministry is our development of Faith at Work initiatives. By the end of 2016, the culmination of several months of work came together in the form of a hackathon. Hackathons are events that typically last several days, in which a large number of people meet to engage in collaborative computer programming. They are also increasing in popularity, and have become a new way for tech-

minded individuals to gather together in order to create software solutions that address many different challenges."

The Guthries continue: "In partnership with a group of pastors in Quezon City, the Missional Business Center (MBC) and CBM have begun the process of developing new training for staff and launching new training events in Payatas, a poor section of Quezon City, Metro Manila. This training will have contact with over 90 new participants who will receive business training and assistance in developing their business plan, increasing the likelihood of their ability to succeed in their new endeavours. This project is an example of the interagency cooperation, and indirectly supports another MBC partnership with a Philippine organization called The Center for Community Transformation."



Why? The Guthries spent 15 years in the business world before feeling that God was calling them to a new ministry. After a short-term mission trip to Kenya with CBM in 2007, they were convinced that God was leading them to CBM, and they joined CBM shortly thereafter.

Prayer Requests:

- Pray for Carin as she teaches English as a Second Language courses to Korean students who endeavour to take their faith into the marketplace.
- Pray for Duane as he develops a ministry in partnership with technology industry workers in Manila.
- Praise God for the flourishing of new ideas and connections for the Guthries.
- Pray for the team of rural rice farmers the Guthries have been working with, incorporating Christian social enterprise with business and the marketplace. The livelihoods of the farmers are increasingly under pressure. Pray for a new and sustainable initiative to help support them.

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