HOME IS WHERE you make it



The Bromleys have been traveling all their lives, and here is where they found their home.

A xel and Terah Bromley have been married for 17 years, all of it spent traveling. The family has lived in different countries like Croatia, Dubai, Qatar, Ukraine, the US, Canada, and Nepal. Now, the couple and their four children are in the Philippines as Axel settles into his post as CEO of Philam Life. "It's perfect for our family because we are very religious, we're very family-oriented, we love to talk to people, we love the arts, we love having relationships, and so coming here, it feels like home," Axel says.

MAKING THEIR MOVE

Even so, the couple admit that there are parts of moving to a new country that are more challenging than others. "It's the physical discomfort of transitioning," Terah says, to which Axel continues, "It doesn't matter how



many times you've done it, it's always tough." The first thing Terah does when they get to a new place is make their house feel like a permanent home. "Always put up (family pictures and) your children's art... It's almost like telling the house or telling the kids, 'This is our space. This is where you live," Axel says.

The family also tries to incorporate elements of their current country with their home. For example, hanging in the dining room is a painting of a carabao, which, according to Terah, is Axel's first painting while living in the Philippines. "That reminds us of where we are and to respect the place that we live in," Terah says.

FINDING THEIR BALANCE

Another thing that helps ground them—not just in their surroundings, but in living a full life as well—is physical activity. "Human beings are fundamentally made up of three parts—your mind, your body or your wellness, and your spirit. If you only focus on one, you're missing the synergy those three things should be having," Axel says.

Terah adds, "Balance is the key. You're more capable of carrying the loads you have to carry when you have those things aligned."

BEING AT HOME

The Bromleys revel in the opportunity they have to live in different places and immerse themselves in different cultures. The couple especially hopes that these will help their children grow into responsible global citizens.

"I think the more cultures you live in and the more places you go to, the more you realize we're just the same," Axel says.

It seems that the farther the Bromleys go, the closer their family becomes. And it is this love for family that makes the Bromleys even more appreciative of their place in Philam Life. "I've never worked for a company in my entire life that has more heart and soul, and I'm not just saying that because I'm here," Axel says.

"The company has such a sense of familyorientedness. It's kind of interesting because we already had that in place, and to have a company also carry those same values has been easy to transition to," Terah observes.

Having one another in a welcoming country like the Philippines, the Bromleys are going to feel right at home.



