

## Many Thanks to Our Recent Partners!

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## Larry's Lines

Bro. Larry Miles

### Building on the Right Foundation

Having the right foundation spiritually can make the difference on where one spends eternity. The only foundation that will make it past this life is one that is based and founded upon the Word of God. It is one that puts its trust in the One whom the apostle John called the "Word." It is a life built on a trust in the saving work of the Lord Jesus Christ.

We build our lives on all kinds of foundations. Jesus spoke of those who build their lives on the sand, which has no permanent foundation. He contrasted that with the ones who built their lives on a solid foundation. The one who built on the sand had all kinds of problems; the one on the solid foundation had the blessings of God.

We need to base our faith on the foundation of the Lord Jesus and His blessed Word. Romans 10:7 reads, "and so faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God."

So, we must be found standing on a faithful Word. We must have the assurance that the Bible we read, study, and live by really is God's Word.

### The children of Capisnon Church of Christ singing during the 2021 Year-end Thanksgiving Service



### Financial Report – January 2022

The starting balance on Dec 1, 2021 was \$2949.02.

Dec. regular donations were \$2382.50, for a total of \$5331.52.

Disbursements for Dec were: Preachers and Helpers \$2728.08, Radio \$641.00, Bank Charges \$18.00, Administrative \$150.00, Mindanao Delivery Charges \$70.05, Post Office Box \$134.00, and Office Supplies \$0.00, making total disbursements of \$3780.65

The balance on hand Dec 31, 2021 was \$1550.17.

## Philippine Evangelism Partners

### January 2022 Report

**“Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.”  
(Matthew 28:19; ESV)**

### Philippine Mission Fund

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Louisville, KY 40232-0142

### Advisory Board

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## A New Beginning

**It is quite an understatement to say that the last year has been difficult in the U.S. We have experienced changes in our behavior, changes in our emotions, changes in our work, changes in our schools, changes in our government, changes in our churches, and changes in our lives. Let's face it... we NEVER would have imagined our 2021 way of life in January of 2020.**

Now I ask you to take all of those difficult times you have experienced, and multiply it by 10! I believe that is what our brothers and sisters in the Philippines have experienced. Sure, our government told thousands of workers that they could not go to work, but imagine Filipinos being told you will NOT be allowed to work, and you will get NO assistance! You will receive no unemployment money, no stimulus checks, and no food assistance. Just stay home and try to survive.

Many of our US churches were told to temporarily close, but at least we could travel to help someone in need of encouragement or physical help. In the Philippines, churches also received the same governmental edict, but travel in the streets was restricted only to those who had been issued a permit for emergency travel. Most of our planted churches are located in the large island of Mindanao, which is very poor. Except for a few large cities, the population is mostly rural, and much of the housing is bamboo walls with dirt floors and thatch roofs. Life is surely much harder there, and healthcare is poor or unavailable in many areas. We have lost several of our longtime preachers to Covid related illnesses. However, we must be thankful to God that in Mindanao, most families could still grow crops to feed their families, something that is impossible in Manila, the world's most densely populated city with 111,000 people per square mile! In Manila alone, 12,000 have died from Covid.

So what is happening in Mindanao now? Well, the ups and downs are still continuing. A few months ago, our brothers and sisters were told they could return to meeting once a week in their churches, and what a blessing that has been, just to get together with others to sing and study and worship. Having been there so many times, I can easily imagine how happy they were. At our main church in Cagayan de Oro, where **Bro Cyrus Gesulga** lives, the building was recently badly flooded, but the congregation got together before the year ended, and they cleaned and repainted the building! (Pics inside)

New restrictions sometimes suddenly appear, but I think we are turning a corner, as the restrictions seem to vary by province. In the Dipolog area, where **Bro Edgardo Parangan** has been the leader, the churches ARE meeting, and we are seeing a new resurgence of baptisms and church growth. (See pics inside.) In the Davao area, where **Bro. Johnny Espinosa** has led the work for many years, we are seeing renewed energy among the church members, many of whom are young college students who are preaching and have such a zest for studying God's word. Please continue to keep our brothers and sisters in your prayers, and we thank you for your never-wavering support of our work!

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# New Reports from the Filipino Churches

## A SPECIAL REQUEST FOR HELP

Throughout 2020 & 2021 we have tried to continue to send lovegifts to most of the churches and preachers. Some preachers were unable to communicate with us, and a few passed away, but we still have about 40 congregations that we are helping, totaling about \$4000 per month.

During Covid, we have received less contributions, and we have used up most of our reserve funds. We have only about one month's worth of Lovegifts left in our bank account, so we are in need of your help.

If you would consider increasing your donations to this work, I can assure you that the dollars will be used wisely. If you have been thinking about starting to help, please consider that just \$50 per month will supply one of our preachers with a month's worth of rice for his family. This helps them be able to spend some extra time telling the Good News about Jesus to others in their area!



## Cagayan de Oro Area News

### FLOODED BUILDING GETS A NEW LIFE! Cyrus Gesulga, Evangelist, Mindanao

Our church building was badly flooded for many days, but the waters have now receded, and we cleaned and repainted the building in time for our year end Thanksgiving meeting!



We also have begun construction on a new building in Valencia City, Bukidnon. We prepared this since the government will demolish our chapel at Bagontaas for a project of road widening. An Inaugural Service and Thanksgiving Service is planned on the last Sunday of this month.



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## Dipolog Area News

### MORE BAPTISMS IN DIPOLOG AREA! Edgardo Parangan, Dipolog Church of Christ

We praise God that many have been baptized in the last two months! On Nov 6th, 13 souls were baptized at Diwan Church of Christ in Dipolog City. Our Song Leader was bro. Wilmar Calasang, the Speaker was bro. Chito Calimpong, and the baptizers were bro. Edgar Parangan and bro. Jose Reyes.

7 souls were baptized Dec. 4<sup>th</sup> at Galas Church of Christ, also in Dipolog city. Bros. Nilo Dalman and Thoto Pizon were the Baptizers.

Finally on Dec 19<sup>th</sup>, 1 more soul was baptized at Galas in Dipolog City, with bro. Thoto Pizon as Baptizer and singers from the Dipolog Church of Christ.



## Davao Area News

### MORE BAPTISMS IN DAVAO AREA! Ronie Gubat, Davao Church of Christ

Greetings in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour! I am praying and hoping that you are all in strong faith and good health by the grace and mercy of Jesus Christ. For this month I suffered three weeks of over fatigue and cannot go anywhere to do Gospel work, but by the prayers of many brethren and because of the mercy of God, I have gained my strength again and used it to do the work.

I resumed FB Live through the page of Church of Christ Evangelical Mission Online Davao Region. Though I still have a cough I can still sustain the whole hour of preaching, and today I can attend many activities for God has renewed my strength. Please include me in your prayers.



### RADIO REACHES SOULS IN BARAYONG! Ben Silva, Barayong Church of Christ

Last November, the time slot of radio program was transferred to 5am-6am on weekdays. I am assigned to broadcast every Mon & Wed while our bro. Cenon Tania is on Tues & Fri. This is another achievement to proclaim God's words here!

Last month, the daughter of our sister accepted Jesus and become part of Lord's body in the Barayong Congregation. May God bless everyone.