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6 PHILIPPINE CHURCHES



Last month I began my report on the six churches we are going to help repair, renovate, or build on the Philippine island of Mindanao. All but one are for graduates of our CTC program in Cabadbaran that is overseen by Pastor Philip Gonzales, a longtime friend and co-laborer. When God put the church idea in my heart, I knew immediately that five of them were to be five of the six churches we are now helping on Mindanao. The first church to be

built will be a completely new building and a small parsonage at the base of a mountain across from a banana plantation outside of Cabadbaran. It is the only church in this area and the third church Junion and Eunice Delig are pastoring. You can read more about



them in last month's report or online at www.revc.org under the "Sample Newsletter" tab. As you read about each of the locations we are going to help, please keep in mind that CTC is designed to work across denominational lines. Thus, several of our pastors serve in differing denominations.



Jimmy and Marygrace Olivar, both CTC graduates, pastor the second church we will help. They have a little girl, Jimace,

just over one year old. The church, **God's Grace Evangelical Free Church**, is located in Timamana Village outside the town of Tubod in the district of Surigao del Norte.

They are the fourth couple to pastor this 33-year-old church that is in poor condition due to termites and damage from a recent earthquake. It will need reconstruction



of some walls, a complete new roof system, and an upgrade of the tiny parsonage area.



The third church is **Lift Jesus Gospel Church**.

Christian Training Center graduate and teacher Francis Duroca and his wife, Gemma, pastor this church. They have a three-year-old daughter named Precious Joy.

This church is located in La Fraternidad Village near Tubay town within the Agustan del Norte district. As you can see, they have raised enough money to put up block and a sheet metal roof on the 58' x 24' building. They still need to bring in several yards of fill to level the floor area inside because there is nearly a three-foot difference in depth from entry area to altar area. We will also put in windows



and doors, run all the electric, pour the cement flooring and altar, stucco the outside, etc. If we have funds left once all six facilities are finished, we may revisit this church and look at putting up a small parsonage on land behind the church.

The fourth church, **Agape Victory Christian Assembly**, is located outside Cabadbaran on land donated by Pastor Gonzales' sister, Lazfi, who presently lives in Atlanta, Georgia. Marietta Senoc is the pastor of the church. She and her husband, Arnel, have seven chil-



dren. Marietta is one of the first to be disciplined by Pastor Philip's father several years ago. The church is located in Victory Village, close to Tubay town in Augusan del Norte district on a major roadway. As I remember, a local mining company donated the block you see. Once the block was up, there was no more money to complete the work so it has sat as you see it for some time while the congregation has been meeting in a temporary location.



Salvation Alliance Gate Church, located four hours from Cabadbaran, is the fifth church we are



helping renovate. The pastors, Roldan and Ginalyn Cabadonga, are both CTC graduates and have one five-year-old son. Their church is located in Salvacion Village near Trento town in Augusan del Sur district. Roldan and Ginalyn are presently pastoring two congregations. The second location, **Salvacion Proper Church**, sits high on a hill but is only a short walk from their home. Fourteen families currently attend the church. The church building we are going to help renovate has nine families. It sits on a dirt road, however, that has over 100 families. This location has great potential but needs much work as the building sits on the edge of a ravine. The church needs to be enlarged and the back of the church nearest the ravine reinforced. The church also needs roofing and a new concrete floor.



Finally, the sixth church, **Agape Tinigbasan Christian Assembly**, is located about an hour by motorized outrigger canoe on the



coast. When I visited the church, we loaded into two canoes on an overcast day. By the time I returned to my hotel, however, I had developed "sun poisoning." I spent a rough night in my room that night—not much worse than being alone, sick, and thousands of miles away from home.

The new church will literally be on the beach. Romeo Pollescas Jr., a CTC graduate, pastors this church. He is pictured here, standing with Elenita Orcullo who has literally given up her ocean view, front yard, and half of her front porch so that a church can be located in Tinigbasan Village where she lives. This is the only church in the village and presently has five families who attend. Elenita donated her front yard because no one was willing to sell land for a church.



She was one, if not the first, convert in her village. I'm excited about what God is allowing us to be a part of through this effort. These young pastors have a heart for evangelism! I am confident that these churches and that many will come to faith in Christ.

A special thank you to all who have given to make this church building project possible. Your obedience to God's prompting on your hearts has made this experience nothing short of miraculous! May God release multiple blessings back to you for your faithfulness and sacrifice!!!

Next month I will report on my trip to Africa where we will set things in motion to build 3 churches in Malawi and one in Mozambique. At the time of this writing we stand in need of about \$8000 to help purchase an off road truck to enable us to reach further into Muslim areas with the good news of Jesus Christ. Please consider what you can do. Know that you are always in my prayers, and that **I am releasing God** to multiply finances back to each of you who invest in this ministry. We need you! **Blessings! TOGETHER WE'RE MAKING A DIFFERENCE!!**

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