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February 2018 marked 20 years of full-time mission's ministry, helping to train pastors and Christian leaders! Little did I realize back in 1998 what God would allow us to be a part of as our vision then was for two or three training centers. Nor did I ever envision graduating over 3000 students. Today we are in more than 20 countries with over 60 locations and currently about 1200 students! Our CTC program is in multiple languages and our online program almost ready to launch! Surely God has done great things!!!!! Thank you to everyone who has prayed, given financially, and encouraged us along this path that God has laid out before us. We are truly laborers together! GBY! = God Bless You!! Breaking through the 3000 mark of graduates last December was awesome! At the same time, I sense in my spirit that we haven't even begun to see what God has purposed for this ministry! Please continue to stand with us and earnestly pray, releasing God to work His will on earth in and through this ministry and everyone who is a part of it in any way, seen or unseen!

RELEASE GOD TO HAVE HIS WAY ON EARTH

Last year, Vicky and I attended a video seminar on prayer taught by Dutch Sheets. In his teaching Dutch explained how God had created mankind, placed them in the Garden of Eden, and gave them "dominion" over the earth. Dominion has to do with God giving mankind both the responsibility and the authority to manage the earth for God. Except for those few things that God has predetermined, that He has sovereignly determined to happen such as the incarnation of Christ, His crucifixion, resurrection, and second coming, most everything else is left up to man to release God to accomplish His will. Thus, God works in a situation often in ways we can't see, preparing it so that once we pray and release Him to have His way and work His will on earth, He is then able to move with power and accomplish His will. Jesus even modeled this for us when He taught His disciples to pray "Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, THY WILL BE DONE ON **EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN...** "This was Jesus teaching His followers to release God to have His way

on earth. Dutch gave scriptures to back up this teaching. I left the seminar with a better understanding of why some prayers go unanswered. If we don't release God to have His way in a situation, even though He has prepared the situation so that His name will be glorified, nothing happens. Often God waits, and waits, because we fail to realize we have been given the responsibility and authority for what happens on earth. If we don't release Him to accomplish His will, He is bound by His decision to give the management responsibility to man and thus waits.

All of this came into my reality as God put on my heart to help in the building of nine churches. Four, as you know, were in Africa and five in the Philippines. Frankly, when God put this on my heart, my first response was not very positive as we had just built the "Peanut Church" in Malawi. The cost of the building, along with my travel expenses, came to about \$10,000. As wonderful as that has turned out, raising the extra money only added to the stress of trying to find enough funding to keep the training centers moving forward. Multiplying that by nine in addition to raising support for the training centers did not seem very exciting. However, I knew God wanted to do this. So, I simply decided to do what Dutch had taught and began to release God to bring in the finances for the nine churches. I shared it with a couple of pastors, put something in the newsletter, and then went about my normal CTC activities. Each day in my prayer time, I continued to release God to bring in the finances for the churches.

Then money began to come in, unlike anything that I have seen in all the 20 years I have been full-time training pastors and leaders. The first batch was \$4000 from three sources. In August, another \$1,500 came in and in September, \$897.00. Then Pastor Nick Panico called and said he felt his church could build one church. He asked that I give them until the end of the year. I released God to help him do so. A short time later, he called and said they had raised enough for one church and were starting on a second \$10,000. In October, another \$12,020.00 came in and in November another \$5,763.00 came in from four different people. In December, Pastor Nick called and said





that a miracle of giving was taking place in his church, that he had never seen anything like this before as they were starting on their third church! He told me that he would present me a check for \$30,000 during their New Year's Eve service. Another \$6000 also came in December from two other sources. Then I opened a Christmas card sent by one of our supporters who had enclosed a check for \$10,000 to help build a church. This was the best Christmas card I have ever received!! The next day I sent her an email to thank her for her wonderful gift. In the email I said to her, "Do you realize that with this check for \$10,000 and the \$30,000 check from Pastor Nick on New Year's Eve, along with other money that has come in, we will be only \$21,500 short of our goal to raise \$90,000? Please continue to pray with us and thank you so much for your gift." The very next day I got a reply from her saying, "RevC, I can give you another \$5,500 in January, then \$6,000 in February, and \$10,000 in March. Will that meet the need?" PTL! PTL! PTL! To each of you who has responded to God's tug on your heart to help with this project, know that I'm praying that God will multiply what you gave, back to you many times over! This was simply a miracle!

Needless to say, I'm releasing God to have His way in every situation, circumstance, and decision I can think of on a daily basis. I pray this testimony will encourage you to do so as well. God is ready and waiting—release Him!

SIX CHURCHES IN THE PHILIPPINES A few years ago, I was in the Philippines and spoke to a group of alumni graduates, many of whom had pioneered churches or were pastoring existing churches. At that time, there was a foundation that had helped with some projects that I had introduced to them. I acted as the gobetween to make sure their gifts were used as intended. Thinking that the foundation might have been keen on helping to build some churches, I challenged the graduates to put together a proposal, so I could make a presentation on their behalf. Even though they completed the proposal, the foundation had changed leadership. The new leader turned us down and did not seem to appreciate what I thought was a great deal for the foundation while at the same time would allow us to help in areas that I had firsthand knowledge. When God put the church idea in my heart, I knew immediately where the churches were to be. I am writing this from the Philippines, having spent this week traveling about looking at not five, but six locations where we are going to help finish works that are already in progress, renovate buildings that are in bad need of repair, and build others from the ground up. If all goes well, we may even have a little left over to set back for the next church building need.

I can't report on all six locations in this newsletter, so I will share on the first of the locations and also on the conference I was asked to address while I was here in the Philippines.

One morning I spoke to the 14th annual gathering of the Caraga Network of Evangelical Ministers and Churches



on the island of Mindanao. I preached on releasing God to accomplish His will on earth. Some of the attendees were

CTC graduates who are now pastoring. Later that evening, I spoke to some of the area CTC alumni



who had gathered for a meeting. One of these was Junjun Delig who is presently pastoring three churches along with his wife, Eunice, who is almost completely blind. We helped them a few years ago when they needed a building for their first church. The location of the church is at the

base of a range of surrounding mountains. We had to cross a waterway that supplies water to the rice fields nearby then walk to the location pictured here. We are going to help them erect a



new church building and parsonage there.

As always, we stand in need of your prayers and support. I will

be in Africa this month starting the four churches there and will finish the Philippine report in the April letter. You are in my prayers as well! Your faithful prayers and support keep us moving forward. Blessings! & TY! TOGETHER WE'RE MAKING A DIFFERENCE!

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