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TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!!

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My family and I would like to say thank you to everyone who has prayed for us and stood with us! Here's a brief report on what's happening in the Christensen household:

Daniel Joseph turned **1 year old** on September 24th! Both Daniel and Sarah are learning to drive! Sarah will be 17 in January and is an honor student at JW Mitchell High School. Vicky is a wonderful wife and mother, very busy with Daniel, and keeping up-to-date with family in Ecuador and friends here. In addition to all that I'm involved with, both Vicky and I have been part of a local Spanish church plant in our area. Each of us has preached a few times when the pastor needed to be away. We look for the Lord's return and wish to give our best with your help and prayers. Blessings!



THE PHILIPPINES

This trip to the Philippines included a visit to six churches on the island of Mindanao where Bishop Philip Gonzales oversees our Agape CTC program. Actually, I spoke in seven churches, including Bishop Gonzales' church, gave the message in a wedding for one of our graduates, dedicated a couple of babies along the way, and installed one of our graduates as the official pastor of a new church plant. It was a blessing to visit the churches that were built with your generous offerings! We were able to build three churches from the ground up as well as renovate two other churches! We also completed the inside of another church and put on a front porch. We had raised funds to build five churches, but with one already having the walls up and the two we renovated not being a complete build out, we had enough funds to completely build the sixth church we visited.

This first church, **God's Grace Evangelical Free Church**, is pastored by Jimmy and Marygrace Olivar. Jimmy is an Agape Christian Training Center graduate. The building had suffered damage from an earthquake and termites. In addition,



the pastor and his family lived in a small area behind the platform which was not fit to live in. As a result of the faithfulness of

those who prayed and those who gave generously, we were able to take care of all the damaged walls, replace the beams that were damaged by termites, re-plaster the inside walls, put in a wooden ceiling, add a new sheet metal roof, make the pastor's area livable, and give the outside a face lift.

It was about a two-hour drive to get to the church from where we have our CTC program in Cabadbaran. The service started at 5:30 in the evening on a weekday. I was surprised to see the room filled, as school for the children did not let out until 5:00. However, people came because of their desire to express their thanksgiving to the Lord and to those who helped make this happen. Jimmy reported that they have seen their numbers grow since the renovation was completed. I shared a salvation message, as I did in all of the six churches. When the sermon ended with an invitation to receive Jesus as Savior, I was blessed to see several hands raised and



people pray to receive the assurance of their salvation. As it was also my 71st birthday, the congregation sang **"Happy Birthday"** to me, then Pastor Jimmy and the congregation

prayed for me. It made for a nice birthday! This church is already making a difference!

The next day, we visited Pastor Franciers and Gemma Duroca at **Lift Jesus Christian Fellowship**. Pastor Franciers is also a CTC graduate. This building was the one that already had the exterior walls up as the result of a gift from a local mining company that had closed after the nickel ore ran out. We were able to help them extend the roofing and add a new front to the building which included a nice covered porch area. We also helped paint the building inside and out and completed the interior of the church, including the cement floor, raised platform, beautiful wood stained ceiling, and stucco walls.



and lush green foliage everywhere you go and some of the most beautiful ocean views I

have ever seen! All this beauty makes it a very picturesque place to live or visit. The only drawback is monsoon and typhoon season which the residents count on to replenish their water supply. Now that the nickel ore has been depleted, those who depended on the mine for their livelihood will be hard pressed to find work. Please pray for this young family as this area goes through transition.

Many people attended the service even though it was also held on a weekday afternoon. After a time of praise and worship, the high school youth choir sang during the offering. Then it was my turn to speak, with Bishop Gonzales translating for me. Bishop Gonzales served as trans-



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Mindanao is a beautiful tropical island with mountains

Concerning our financial situation: As of **September 10th** only **\$480** came in to purchase Bibles for pastors in Malawi. Its not to late to send a box of 10 for **\$120**. Recently, two gifts have come in allowing us to cover the furnishings for the **5** new CTC locations in Malawi & Mozambique, and to apply an additional \$1935 toward a **Church for Pastor Francis**; new church balance: **\$8065**. So far we have received **\$3K** in response for CTC in Myanmar leaving **\$22K**; and no response for the Spanish online **\$10K**; or CTC online in Chidziwitso for Malawi & Mozambique **\$10K**. They say our country is in a time of prosperity. Yet our personal finances & ministry projects have been under attack this year. Undoubtedly the enemy is at work. I'm asking those of you who pray to join with me in asking God to **RELEASE** finances into our hands, and to bind the powers of darkness that are hindering God's work. Praying for you as well! **TOGETHER WE'RE MAKING A DIFFERENCE!**

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