



# Mission Concepts

## **The Philippines Mar. 28-May 5, 2012**

We thank God we could stand with our church 'family' in Mandaluyong, Metro Manila, during the difficult time of transitioning from their facilities (25 yrs.) to an apartment office and a mall show room with a 1 month contract. **Pray it gets extended or something better opens up.**

In October, 1983, the elders of this church met our family at the airport and helped us get started. Michael Pridham had started a Bible school which we continued and passed to Michael Biggerstaff who set up a 4 yr. school. These youth, now in their 50's, are leaders of a growing movement of church plants and affiliates.

## **Family Camp with MZFB**

The 850 expectant people were not disappointed although some tents leaked and 30 went home! Thirty new people made commitments to Jesus. More than 40 were baptized in water and hundreds came forward for the baptism of the Spirit. Perhaps you saw Facebook pictures of the children waving flags after Diane related their colors to spiritual truths.

## **Mindanao Youth Camps**

Our team, which included Mike Olels and Beth Norton, flew 500 miles SE to a remote area. Jesus brought new life as young people made first time commitments, others were filled, and healings took place. I unknowingly passed out my extra lollipops to some communist rebels who were hanging around the perimeter of the outdoor meeting!

Next we caravanned with the pastors for 12 hrs. to the tribal churches on the west side. The highlight of the pastors' meetings: I talked about servant hood and Diane and I started washing feet and praying over them. Others took turns doing the same with many tears. The last night many youth were on the floor weeping under Holy Spirit power including my interpreter.

## **Fire of God Revival - Binagonan, Rizal, Luzon**

The first 2 nights about 150 people each night made commitments to Christ. Three street children were profoundly touched and are being followed up. The 3<sup>rd</sup> night, youth night, a thousand people came to the gym. Most of them passed under fire flags and slowly walked through what we call a fire tunnel. 60 pastors and leaders had lined up across from each other and blessed them as they passed by. They were committing to be living sacrifices of praise as they let their lights shine in a dark world.

## **Zamboanga City, Minandanao**

We visited my son, Don, and his family, preached in a church pastored by Berlie Yap, who was in our youth group in the 80's and checked on the students we sponsor. We also interviewed prospective house parents as Hope for Kids children's home will be up and running after several years of preparation.

## **Baguio City, N. Luzon**

May 3-4 we taught a module on Hearing from God for ZMI's extension Bible school. The 8 hr. sessions had been changed to 1-9PM so we left at 10PM and travelled 6 hrs. by car out of the mountains directly to the airport to catch our plane back to the USA!

## Our Students Start School in June



Congratulations! We are so proud of these young men we have been supporting. In March Gerald Divino graduated from High school in Zamboanga. In Malabon, Metro Manila, Andrew, 21, also finished high school after working some years to help his family survive. Both are considering further education but have not made a decision.

Genz Divino is 4th yr. at Western Mindanao College.



Marjorie, age 9, lives with her grandparents in a squatter village in Malabon, Manila. She will be in 3<sup>st</sup> grade. Sorry, no new picture, as we talked to the pastor but did not have time to visit her.



In Zamboanga, Mindanao we help a working widow with school expenses. Deannie Mae Loreto, 12, is now grade 7 (high school in the Philippines). Dennis Joshua Loreto is 11, and Denise Keith Loreto is 10.

If you would like to help these children, we give \$100/yr. for Marjorie, Deannie, Dennis, and Denise. Genz is \$300. This does not fully cover their needs, but we like to partner with the parents. When we get the budget set, there will be an opportunity to support an at-risk child, age 4-10, in our Hope for Kids home.

### Prayer:

1. Those pictured above and those children that will be the best fit for H.F.K. home.
2. The schedule, health, and provision for us to answer the call to China, Philippines, Vietnam, and Cambodia July through November.

We really sensed our recent trip was bathed in your prayers. There was such a Holy Spirit dynamic to the meetings and wisdom to deal with situations. Without prayer, some snags could have been major difficulties.

## Big Thanks!

Dennis and Diane Teague