

# Full Gospel Assemblies

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Congregations and Clergy

Dear Pastors and Ministers and all the people of God,

Having recently returned from the latest Mission into the Philippines, I come back with a joy upon my heart. The Lord is wonderful! Along with my wife, Pastora Marissa, and Pastor Raymond Favichia of FL, we traveled into the Philippines on February 22nd. With the first stop of ministry, we were in the area of Taysan, four hours south of Manila with a new FG pioneering church in the countryside. This new work, The Taysan Full Gospel Church, is the only Protestant church in a barangay area of at least a 5 sq mile radius with an approximate 1,000 residents. At this time, those joining together are doing so from house to house each week. As we met with the dedicated pioneering pastors and the church family there, the Lord blessed with great time of encouragement,



worship and

fellowship. After Sunday worship there on Feb. 26th, we all joined together for a festive lunch of rice, vegetables, mango and rice desserts. A great time of sharing! Following the services and fellowship with the some 44 children and 24 adults in attendance, Pastora Marissa and I went along with the local pastors for house to house visitation throughout the countryside. What a wonderful time of sharing the love of Christ with this new and birthing work of the Lord. As we are able to see from the photos, the primary need for this congregation at this time, is for a permanent pavilion style meeting

place with cover from the rain and sun. Please remember the Taysan Full Gospel Church in your prayer and missions giving.

We then went into the area of Baguio, Benquet, for the annual Summit for leadership with the new and yet forming ministry for the Philippine Alliance of Full Gospel Churches (PAFGC). The ministry there was hosted by the Philippine Bethel Churches with Bishop Paul Baguitay leading. Over the past three years, the Full Gospel Assemblies vision for an alliance of churches, united together throughout the country of the Philippines has grown into the PAFGC, with ministries represented from the southern areas of Mindinao and Negros, the central areas of Manila, and the northern areas of Benquet. The south, central and north of the country was represented here in this leadership Summit. Teaching and ministry building workshops centered on uniting for the purpose of taking the gospel of Christ to the lost and hurting of this nation of more than 7,000 islands. It was a God given opportunity of bringing ministry leadership together from throughout the country for fellowship and relationship building as well as for strategic planning for the months ahead. We are believing for this alliance vision to take hold and provide for a united country wide ministry throughout the land of the Philippines.

Our primary ministry there ended with a city crusade in LaTrinidad, Benquet with some 300-350 in attendance and about 10% receiving Christ as Lord and Savior. To God be the glory in all things. This is our prayers answered!!



Immediately upon our return from the Philippine mission, we received correspondence from our affiliating congregations in Liberia. They have just completed a pastoral conference. There, Pastor Leo Brosius, already using the banner of Full Gospel Assemblies, reports that some 100 congregations have come together there and are all anxious to come into fellowship with Full Gospel Assemblies.

Just as we complete one area of mission, the Lord shows us that His work is ever growing and that His people are in need of leadership and encouragement.

Over this week ahead, as we give glory unto our Lord God for our risen Savior, Christ Jesus, let us be reminded of the words of Christ Jesus as he prayed unto the Father in the hours before his crucifixion. There in prayer he prayed for you and I with (in part)... *"neither pray I for these alone, but them also which shall believe on me through their word..... I in them, and thou in me, that they may be made perfect in one, and that the world may know that thou hast sent me, and hast loved them, as thou has loved me."* John 17:20-24



To the congregations we lead, to the communities to which we serve, and to the missions that the Lord leads us to, let our ministry be with one purpose and focus in mind. Let it be that those that hear the word **may believe upon Jesus Christ, their Savior!**

Let us give praise unto the Lord God almighty. May He continue to guide us and direct us in His perfect will. Your prayers, your support and your faithful participation in the ministry of the Church is your work as an ambassador of Christ Jesus!

Be blessed today,

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