2019 Philippine Missions Summary Report August 16-26, 2019

Beloved Pastors,

It is with great rejoicing that Pastora Marissa and I returned from our trip to the Philippines last month (August 16-26, 2019). During our trip we were able to represent Full Gospel Assemblies and Phrear School of Theology in visiting five different provinces throughout the Philippines. We both testify to God's providence upon us at all times during our trip and want to share this report with you all.

Our itinerary together started with a 2-night visit to the northern province of Quirino, to Sto. Niño Bethel Church, which is under the care of Pastor Juliet Badong. Accompanying us were pastors from the Philippine Alliance of Full Gospel Churches – Pastor Eric Antonio, Pastor Jojo Torres and Pastor Rommel Quiñones. On our first night, Friday, I had the honor of speaking to a gathering of young people from not only our host church but from 3 other nearby churches. God moved mightily in our midst of the young people present. The following day, Saturday, gave us the opportunity to visit the Project Ten-16 recipients in the area as well as to introduce PST-IMI's Church Leadership Training (CLT) Program geared towards lay ministers serving as pastoral support in local congregations. They were excited to hear that our IMI courses are being translated into Filipino/Tagalog, making it more accessible to lay workers all over the Philippines, especially in provinces far from Manila. On Saturday night, Pastora Marissa served as the keynote speaker at the church's anniversary service. It was wonderful time of Thanksgiving for this congregation who has had to overcome sever trials in recent years. It was an honor to celebrate God's goodness with them.

On August 18, Sunday morning, we flew back to Manila and drove straight to Batangas Province to visit Taysan Full Gospel Church, under the care of Pastora Melit Gabion and Pastora Riza Ikan. TFGC also celebrated its anniversary with Pastora Marissa as their guest speaker. God allowed us to minister in prayer there also. After the service, we had another opportunity to introduce the CLT Program and conduct follow-up meetings with the Project Ten-16 families. Pastora Marissa and I temporarily parted ways the following morning as I attended to personal matters. Pastora Marissa continued her Project Ten-16 visitations around Taysan and Taysan's outreach ministry in Tubahan. She went on to conduct follow-up Project Ten-16 visits in Laguna Province on August 19-20 (Mon-Tues). It was also during her time in Laguna that she was able to meet with the officers and members of PAFGC to get updates on the

Pastora Marissa and I joined together once again on August 24-25 in Roxas City, Capiz Province and were hosted by Hope of Glory Gospel Church, led by Pastor Allan De Ocampo. This time, we were accompanied by Jeriz Ikan, our PST Assistant Coordinator for the Philippines. On our first night, I had another opportunity to speak to the young people during their youth service. This was followed by a service the following morning in which Pastora Marissa was also the guest speaker for the church anniversary service. As with the other locations, we opened up PST and IMI to the church workers, many of whom were youth and young professionals (the congregation meets in a building next to the State College).

By Monday, we were back in the island of Luzon and headed north to Camiling, Tarlac Province where a gathering of local pastors allowed us the opportunity to speak about PST and IMI. We were again accompanied by pastoral representatives from PAFGC, who have been assisting the local congregants through training and educational support. Under the leadership of Pastor Eric Antonio, PAFGC has been strengthening its outreach training for local Filipino congregations, to which IMI's institute-level courses will be of great assistance.

We give God glory as we report that this September, PST opened with 39 collegiate-level students, 8 of which are from the Philippines and 10 from Malawi. We ask for your continuous prayers for the seed that has been planted. We look forward to witnessing it bear much fruit, in Jesus' name.

I thank God for each of you. Your continuous prayer and support was felt deeply not only by our missions team but by the congregations with whom we visited. They also send their love and gratitude. It is truly a joy for me to be serving God and His people with you. I look forward to seeing you all face-to-face again.

All for His glory,

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