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Philippine Building Project 2022



The newly acquired 4,500 sq.m (1.1 acres) property in the town Mexico will be the home for ICP Philippines—His Offspring Ministry. Preliminary clearing and preparation (which is the first step) have been done: cogon grass cutting, water well installation and Lot Conversion Certification.

Second step is the Building Plans and Building Permit Application including structural design and analysis, electrical design, plumbing and sanitary, and mechanical layout. Application for Building Permit will follow.

The construction will be composed of four phases:

Phase I

The Multi-Purpose Storage Building will be the main storage and warehouse for supplies. It will also house the annual Bible conference and distribution of Bibles, VBS and *Character Code* materials, other Bible-related literature for children, teens and adults. The building will be accessible to the public with off-street parking area.

Phase II

The Residential Quarters will include a residence for the ICP Philippine Director, ICP USA Director, and a room for missionary guests.

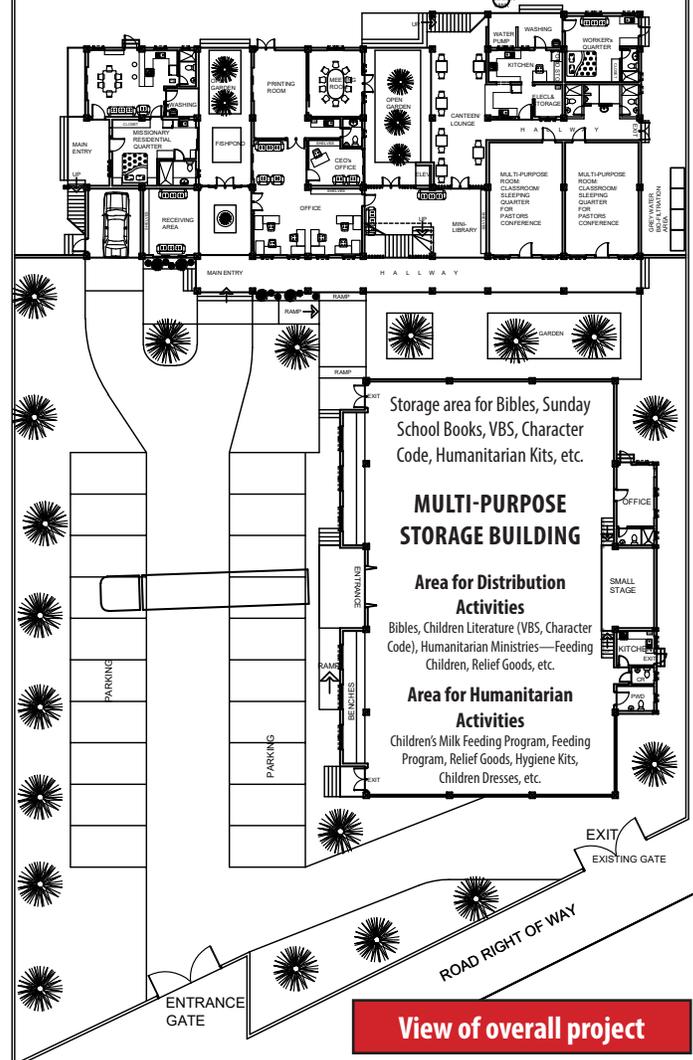
Phase III

The Main Office will house the offices: Translation, editing and graphics, Director's office, conference room and print shop. The second floor will be a multi-purpose room for future office expansion.

Phase IV

The Multi-Purpose Assembly Hall will have two large rooms which can be sleeping quarters for pastors during ICP Annual Bible Conference and other inter-church activities. They can also be classrooms. There is an open canteen or dining area adjacent to a garden and kitchen. The second floor is an assembly hall with a small stage.

There is still enough area at the back for the future orphanage ministry, if God's will. Between the buildings is an open garden where we will be planting beautiful trees and plants that will magnify the most wonderful Creator of the universe!



View of overall project



everywhere and continually stop those riding motorbikes. My brother lost his motorbike a few days ago.

The four children (see picture) are members of the church where Jacob serves. They have enjoyed the *Character Code for Life* materials in their own Burmese language. Although more children are attending the church now, they cannot always have Bible classes for children because of limited space.

The soldiers returned it only after I paid \$35 for its redemption." But the translation ministry, church work and distribution of *Character Code for Life* Bible studies continues in every way possible.

As it is in the United States, the price of everything in Myanmar has skyrocketed. Even basic needs like cooking oil, the cheapest one, is 8000 MMK (about \$4.32) per liter. It was 4500 MMK (about \$2.43) before all these messes. Even the price of rice, the primary staple, has gone up very high. Gas price is four times more expensive now. "But by God's grace we are surviving," Jacob said. In addition to all this, Jacob and Priscilla are expecting their second child, another son, in August. God's blessings has made it possible to add an extra \$900 to Jacob's normal salary.

Jacob reports that the church where he is serving is growing and people are being saved. Because of his translation and teaching responsibilities, Jacob serves as assistant pastor at the church, but he reports that the pastor and the people are very much relying on him. Like Jeremiah Abay in the Philippines, Jacob considers his church work to be a part of his ICP ministry.

The military government continues to hamper the work in the beautiful country of Myanmar (Burma). Jacob Tubal, ICP Project Director, has filed this report: "Here in Myanmar, the political unrest is getting worse. Shootings and bombings are still ongoing. Thousands of people, including children, have fled into the forest for safety. The soldiers are

Devotional Thought by Bill Johnson

I Know That Voice!



As I sat in the Dallas-Fort Worth Airport waiting for the flight to Texarkana, I was tired and weary. It had been a long trip from Manila in the Philippines to Dallas and we were just waiting for the final flight home! In my daze, I kept hearing a loud, jovial voice from the gate next to ours. "I know that voice," I told my wife and walked toward it. There he was. I recognized Danny from a great distance. He was headed home to Little Rock, Arkansas, from a high school superintendent's conference. We had a good visit, with everyone in the terminal noticing our exhilaration.

This must have been what Abraham felt when he saw the strangers coming his way. The stranger

calling on Abraham was God, who said to Himself, "I know him, that he will command his children and his household after him." (Genesis 18:19.) God knew he would be faithful—even willing to sacrifice his son if God asked him to. Because of his faith, Abraham was called "God's friend" (James 2:27). One might say that Abraham was like family to God.

When we are loud and filled with exhilaration, God knows us. He also knows us when we are despondent, as Elijah was after the queen's threat. God knows His children.

But do we know God? Danny knew me and I knew him. We talked about his career in education and my ministry in the Philippines. What great fellowship and a great time to bump into a friend! God knows you, and if you are His, you know Him. Jesus said, "My sheep know my voice." I was thrilled to recognize Danny's voice, but it is infinitely better to recognize the voice of my Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!