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News from

Philippines

## Gospel Mover's Conference



Conference Registration



At the Gospel Mover's Conference in the Philippines we distributed VBS materials, hymnals, Bibles and children's clothing to help the Lord's churches reach the children with the story of Jesus. Just over two hundred pastors from churches throughout



VBS Kits

the Philippines attended the conference and dedication of the property for the new ICP home.

For the first time since COVID, Rita and I and John Sanders were there to help with distribution. We heard messages from Pastor Abner Tuazon, John Sanders and myself. Jeremiah Abay and the faithful members of the Amazing Grace Baptist Church did an outstanding job of hosting and leading in the conference and the distribution.

Brother Sanders explained the content of the VBS kits. Each kit will provide VBS for 120 children. He also

demonstrated the use of the *Character Code for Life* curriculum and showed the pastors how to order these materials for their children's ministry.

The pastors took time to participate in the dedication of the property on which will be built the new home of the ICP ministry through which we hope to reach throughout the Philippines and Southeast Asia. Construction will begin as soon as permits are obtained and as God provides the needed funding. The estimated cost of the first phase will be near \$100,000. Please consider a generous offering to help this dream become a reality.

Missionary Robert Baidya, (sending church Lifeline Baptist Church, Mansfield, Texas, Pastor David Smith) from Bangladesh spent a week with us in the Philippines for orientation in how to translate the ICP curriculum for Bengali speaking children in his country. John, Jeremiah and I spent several hours helping him understand the scope of the curriculum and how to set up his computer for translation. Bengali will be the ninth language for ICP curriculum. There are an estimated 185 million Bengali speaking people in Bangladesh and India. Praise the Lord!  
— Bill Johnson



Property Dedication



Bengali Translation



Despite the continued civil war in Myanmar (Burma), Jacob and the ICP translators continue to reach the churches, provide for the needs of the Hope Children’s Home, and teach in the Biblical School of Theology.

We are thrilled to announce the birth of Joshua Jacobson, second son of Jacob Tubal and his wife Priscilla.

We rejoice with this growing family.

— Bill Johnson



## Taking Candy from a Baby

“Its like taking candy away from a baby!” This popular phrase points out the ease of accomplishing a certain feat. It seems to emphasize the weakness of the child rather than the strength of one who adopts it as his slogan.

Children are weak and vulnerable. But they are, in many ways, heroes. When the disciples asked Jesus about the greatest, the strongest in the kingdom of God, Jesus brought a little child to them, declaring, “Whosoever therefore shall humble himself as this little child, the same is greatest in the kingdom of heaven” (Matthew 18:4). Instead of exploiting the weakness of children Jesus magnified their inherent strengths.

The strength of childhood is humility. In humility the child depends upon a mother’s love to supply every need. In humility the child trusts his/her parents to provide these needs. Humility is recognizing one’s weakness and trusting another’s loving kindness. Even Jesus humbled Himself in weakness, submitting to the ruthlessness of His executioners. Paul admitted that he found strength in weakness (2 Corinthians 12:10).

But wait, there is more: Jesus, in Mark’s gospel, declared that one who receives, or welcomes, the child, welcomes both Jesus and the Father! He must have been referencing the custom of welcoming a person into one’s house by becoming the servant of the guest.

It may be easy to take candy from a baby, but it puts one in an unfavorable position before Christ Jesus! Contrarily, to exalt the child is to gain qualification for participation in the royal rule of the King of kings. Childlike faith, then, means recognizing one’s inabilities, and coming to depend upon God who can and will supply all our needs through His riches! “Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven” (Matthew 5:3).



You can help in providing children around the world with the gospel message.

The chart below shows how many children your donation will help. We are praying that “God will provide,” and that God will use His people in His provision.

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1 class of 25	\$ 108.00
1 class of 50	\$ 198.00
10 classes of 50	\$1,980.00