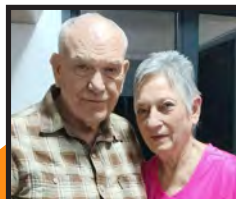




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News from the Philippines

In what resulted in a very productive trip, Rita and I along with several others spent almost three weeks in the Philippines in May. Here are a few highlights with pictures.

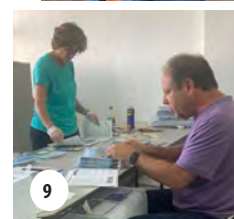
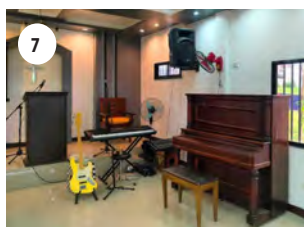
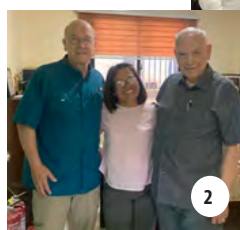
It was a blessing to have Shane Saulsbury, our printing press maintenance man, set up the plate maker and adjust folder and cutter as well as replace many worn parts of the press. We are so thankful to have him volunteer his professional expertise each year.

The staff personal in ministry are very productive in translating and printing the Bible study curriculum. We were able to distribute "Master of the Sea" VBS curriculum for about six thousand children to at least sixty-five churches. These churches also took Module 2 of *Character Code for Life* curriculum.

Churches, both in the Philippines and here in the USA, have reported great attendance and many have expressed appreciation for the VBS curriculum.

We have added additional staff members in the Philippines to facilitate timely production of each CCFL module. Florence Paguio has mastered the printing press and should be able to print many more books. He also did a great job of organizing the annual Bible Conference and literature distribution. This meeting was better attended than any in the past several years. Deither Santos is growing into a proficient graphic arts professional and has learned much about translating. We have added responsibilities for Roberto Gados. In addition to keeping books and handling the funds, he and his wife, Celesti, will be part-time editors and proofreaders. The press helper is also being trained to use all the machines in the print shop.

The Backpack ministry is gaining popularity, and the church workers are learning how to incorporate the CCFL lessons into the ministry. Each child who receives a backpack will also have a minimum of eighteen lessons of the values formation Bible studies. Thank you to all the churches and individuals who provide the backpacks each year. This year we shipped almost one thousand backpacks. But we have requests for several thousand. Please make this valuable ministry an object of your prayers.



Pictures:

1. Group at Guagua Missionary Baptist Church, Philippines. Pastor JoMar Quito, Press Mechanic Shane Saulsbury, Bill and Rita Johnson, Sherri and Paul Ashcraft, Manny and Rose Joson (Associate Pastor), their children and members of the Guagua church.
2. Elementary school Principal Lilibeth David with John Sanders (l) and Bill Johnson (r).
3. Filipino boys with boxes of toy trucks made by a friend of Pastor Sid Hunter, Sherman, Texas
4. *The Master of the Sea* VBS children at one of fifty-nine churches in the Philippines
5. Rita Johnson with a Filipino student proudly holding his *Character Code for Life* books.
6. Pressman Florence Paguio watching the press print *The Master of the Sea* VBS for Filipino children.
7. Antique upright piano donated by Little River County Museum, Ashdown, Arkansas. Now an instrument of praise in Hills of Light Baptist Church in Pampanga, Philippines.
8. A backpack supplied by Southside Baptist Church, Star City, Arkansas goes to a young lady from the Aeta tribe in the mountains of the Philippine Islands.
9. Sherri and Paul Ashcraft assemble *The Master of the Sea* VBS leaflets for children in preparation for Distribution and Bible Conference.
10. Girls proudly hold up dresses, handmade by ladies in the USA and given them.



News from Myanmar

Thank you to all the churches who responded to request for earthquake disaster relief. Jacob Tubal has made two trips to the north of Myanmar, where the earthquake did most damage. He has enabled several churches to rebuild their buildings and several members' homes as well. Jacob continues to distribute Sunday school materials for all those who can be reached.



Needs for Growth and Expansion

Because of the growing need for literature in so many countries, we have made a list of things necessary for our expansion and for the development of the ministry here in Texarkana as well as the countries abroad which we are serving. Please join us in praying that God will supply our needs so that we can expand the ministry to reach thousands more children with Bible study materials as well as so many humanitarian needs.

BUILDINGS AND EQUIPMENT *(estimated costs)*

Myanmar Office

- 1. Build Project Manager's home on current property \$26,000.00
- 2. Build office building on current property \$30,000.00

Philippines Ministry — Second Phase of Building

- 1. Project Manager's home. \$60,000.00
- 2. Offices and assembly building \$175,000.00

FUNDS FOR PRINTING AND DISTRIBUTING LITERATURE *(estimated costs)*

Philippines

- 1. Additional for salaries
 - Translators and copy editors monthly \$600.00
 - Press room workers monthly \$450.00
- 2. Purchasing paper and printing supplies for increasing production of literature
 - Paper for one module of *Character Code for Life* (15,000 children) \$7,500.00
 - Paper for 2026 VBS printing (27,000 children) \$10,800.00

Myanmar

- 1. Printing one module of *Character Code for Life* (9,000 children) \$8,500.00
- 2. Printing 2026 VBS (9,000 Children) \$7,000.00

Kenya

- 1. Printing one module of *Character Code for Life* (2,000 children) \$2,500.00

OTHER NEEDS *(estimated costs)*

- 1. Travel funds for Bill and Rita Johnson to visit the fields annually \$12,000.00
- 2. Salary for additional staff in Texarkana office (monthly) \$5,000.00

*Please join in praying for God to provide these needed funds for
Growth and Expansion of ICP,
as we celebrate twenty-two years of providing Bible study
and humanitarian aid for the children of the world.*

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