

# NEWS from the PHILIPPINES (January 2018)

## Letter from David

Since I last wrote much has happened in the Philippines. The work goes on as the letters herewith detail. They are really only part of the story as we receive text updates almost daily. Many souls have been saved in the past year and several other churches planted, thousands of children fed, new converts grounded in the faith and much, much more. Several young men have graduated from the bible college. Praise God for the dedicated service of the various pastors. Without your support, both practical and in prayer much of this work would be impossible.

Two typhoons hit Mindanao in December & Pastor Ariel's roof was blown off along with other damage. Pastora Helen who recently opened an outreach church had it destroyed. The roof was blown off and very bad damage done. She needs around £1000 to repair this mountain church which has already seen many converts. Despite both these calamities, both pastors just carry on and say that the fact that Jesus will soon return spurs them on & encourages them not to slack off. What dedication to the Lord!

Many thanks for all your generosity & prayers in 2017 which ensure the work continues. Any donations may be sent to me as below and will be forwarded without deduction direct to the Pastors. The Lord bless you and the work.

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## Ptr Pat report of Ptra Helen's church.

"the love of CHRIST showed for us on the



cross is greater than the words could ever express." pictures of the collapsed fellowship house of ptra.



helen was downloaded.....we talk personally with ptra. helen, perhaps that made her worry & upset cause she is looking after her members nowhere to gather during their service. members are from the neighboring villages..... let's hope and pray that members will not be discouraged and continue to trust and serve HIM in these last days. i will update you ptr. david on my next visit.

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Devastation



Zero. The area in the center of Marawi called ground Zero will not allowed to go in that area until this time they still clearing the area. The City will be looked like a ghost town only the Military personnel that you can see in the area. All the residents was transfer to the neighboring places like Iligan City and Cagayan de Oro City and some of them they are living with their relatives and some of them living in the tent areas. The needs are so huge but they are so thankful for the Relief goods that we are giving to them.



Before we distributed the goods such as rice, groceries goods, and dried fish. I shared to them the good news of what the Lord is doing and they are recipient the word of the Lord Jesus, They called it Isah Almassih(Jesus Christ the Savior) Many of the Maranao's believed and gave their lives to Isah Amasih. (Jesus Christ) They long and pray that there will be another wave of Visitation and studying the very word of God. Many of the Maranao's testify that almost Seven Months they cannot eat the good foods that's why they are so happy when we arrived and brought them the goods they Praise the Lord on it. To God be all the Glory. We leaved them the message of the good news of Hope in the Lord by trusting in Him. Thank you so much for your partnership in these endeavor. God bless you in everything you do for the Lord.. Maranatha!

With Our Love & Prayers,

Ariel,Aileen,David Leeniel & twins - And all the Team with us .

## Letter from Pastor Ariel

Greetings to all of you there in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. The soon coming King!

Thank you so much for your constant prayers and monetary help making all our Mission Trip possible. Our trip in Marawi City was successfully accomplished and it was fruitful missions. We've been ministering to sixty families in two different areas to the Maranao's whose home is in ground



*N.B. The city of Marawi has now been liberated from Islamic State but the city is devastated with thousands homeless & most Christians displaced along with many Muslims(Maranao) who both Renato & Nelia and Ariel are ministering to & sharing the gospel. (98,000 have returned to homes in areas not badly affected- over 100,000 are refugees whose homes are destroyed).*

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## Letter from Renato & Nelia

First of all would like to greet you a blessed Christmas and happy new year to all of you there, We thank God for His marvelous work here in the Philippines.

The ministry is doing well by His grace and this month we had a blessed month me and my husband going somewhere to preach the word of God, the previous Crusades that we been in the last months are doing good with some Pastors was assigned there and also the childrens ministry is doing well too, there are some areas received some gifts already like clothes and toys. and we're hoping that we can also give some gifts to the other areas of our childrens feeding center this next week before the end of this month. Praise God for all your financial support Pastor David because it can help us so much to continue to preach the word and to enlarge the kingdom of God anywhere here in Philippines especially to the tribal areas here in the area of our ministry. Many tribal people believe the cult doctrine and to the childrens ministry we always tell the children and the parents and young people who will listen during our bible studies that there is no other God that they need to call its only Jesus and we thank God that we can able to tell them the truth. Thank you so much for all your prayers support and financial support. God bless you..... In Christ,

Pastor Renato and Nelia Advento and church family. *This month Ptr Adevento was also having a mission to other places in Mindanao. He was a speaker of 3 churches in Santos City and in the Maasim area*



Renato speaking in the Glorious Church, Gensan



Outreach in Seroyan Village

Nelia. I thank God many people received Jesus

Christ as their Lord and savior. Some of the people here are rebels in the government but this time they commit themselves unto the Lord.

Outreach in Gulayon village (below)



Before children's ministry we had also bible study with the parents.

Child in Sikayab



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## Report from Pastor Pat

let continue to thank GOD for the joy we've known, for the friends we've made, for the grace given & received, entrust all our cares and worries to HIM. blessed new year & welcome 2018 rejoicing in HIS presence.

activities conducted for the month of **december, 2017** :

**2 , 9, 16,23 and 30** - every saturday dawn prayer among pastors of different denominations. we gathered and prayed for HIS divine protection throughout the whole world, good health to all missionaries, evangelists, church workers & leaders. we even prayed for Israel, England, UK, America and some other countries especially those whose hearts are not in tuned to GOD.



Thanksgiving

**4** - halad pasalamat or the thanksgiving celebration in the twin cities dipolog & dapitan and the province of zamboanga del norte. although 5 municipalities were affected but praise GOD the two cities were protected.(Typhoons?) we can't question GOD why it happened. it has it's purpose.

**16** - child dedication of my 3 months grandson - URIAH SHAUN. we dedicate his life to GOD, that he will be a blessing unto HIM.

- we visited a christian brethren who was suffering from illness. he cannot talked. but when we started praying for him GOD miraculously healed him. he was able to utter JESUS until words come out from his mouth. it was a manifestation of GOD's healing touch.

**24** - i was invited by ptr. dodo jarmin as guest speaker during their thanksgiving celebration in isis, polanco. topic was taken from the book of 1kings 17:8-16; james 5:17. (Also) a 9 months old baby was dedicated to GOD. parents were glad that their baby was offered to HIM.

**27 & 29** - prison visits to Sipulan and Liloy followed by hospital visits

**28** - yearly fellowship @ pastora marilou's church in sianib, polanco. i was invited as the speaker, sharing on the Life of Jesus. members were attentive to the Word of GOD. love gifts & prizes were given.

on some other days, one-on-one sharing was conducted to friends. to GOD be the glory of HIS everlasting love.

at this very moment ptr. david, heavy rain falls. we do not have good weather since the start of January ,2018. but praise GOD, HE never fails! our AGAPE LOVE,.....ptr.pat- jerry

*The above are short extracts from Pastor Pat's report.*



Christmas Day



Isis, Polanco