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Dear Friends,

One of the joys that a missionary can ever have is to see people's lives being changed through the grace of God!

Our Discipleship programs continue during the week. Most of our small group sessions are with high school or college students led by other students themselves. It is such a joy to hear these kids testify what they are able to do during their Bible studies. During their vacant hours, they would use this opportunity to gather their classmates and discuss Bible verses that would lead them into knowing Jesus more. In a few weeks, school will end. But the zealous youth of ODBC ask for prayer that in spite of vacation time, they would still be able to meet with their friends to continue these small group Bible studies.



It is also an inspiration to share the story of one of the young ladies in our church. Anabelle, who is more known as 'Belle', is a preschool teacher. When Belle began coming to ODBC, she was a very shy 12-year-old. But now, she boldly holds Bible studies with high school students on Monday afternoons. In February, more members were added through water baptism into the ODBC family. All that were baptized were results of these weekly small group Bible studies. Two of those baptized were from Belle's Bible studies.



Our satellite churches continue to grow. We have shared in our previous letter that we were able to purchase a lot with the money that we were able to raise from the US for one of our daughter churches, under Bro. Rhyon Angeles, at ODBC—Sual. Right now, a small building is already being built over that land. Lord willing, by June the members will be able to occupy this building for worship. Praise the Lord for this! Again, we would like to thank you for your kind hearts in sharing to this ministry.

In a few weeks, this school year will come to an end. This is the time of year when we encourage kids to be busy with the Lord's work. The following is a list of our summer youth activities:

- *April 29-May 3 Summer Youth Camp* – This is an inter-church fellowship that ODBC attends to annually. It will accommodate youth who are in junior and senior high school. Every single year in the past, different young men and women from ODBC had surrendered to the Lord to study in the Bible College during these camp meetings. Some of them have already graduated and are now just waiting for the Lord's provision and be sent out to start another ministry. This year, we trust that the Lord move once again into the hearts of these young people. We also pray that they return to their homes revived and renewed to serve the Lord faithfully.
- *May 3-4 Tween-agers Camp* – It will accommodate kids exclusively from ODBC who are under the fifth and sixth grade. We believe that kids in this age group should also be given attention. When the Lord began ODBC, we had a good amount of kids who were under this age. It was a joy to see them growing beautifully into the knowledge of Christ. Today, these kids have turned into young adults and are our partners in leading many souls towards Jesus. This next batch of tween-agers are also excited and we hope that they, too, would have a deep relationship with the Lord.
- *May 7-10 Annual VBS* – Our daughters were able to raise for the VBS while we were in the US last year. With all the funds gathered, the Lord allowed us to minister to over 2500 kids. Teachers and VBS workers shared that many of their students accepted the Lord as their personal Saviour. We met a lot of children from the VBS last year. It is a great blessing because up until now, we are able to teach to at least 500 kids on our weekly Centers. It won't be long that these kids will turn into teenagers and we never know which one will be that one whom the Lord will call to work into His field. This year, we are praying to minister to 1500 kids. As before, we are looking at spending \$3.00 for each child for VBS materials, some soup or bread for feeding, and a few school supplies which could help them for the incoming school year in June. To make all these possible, funds are required and we are asking that you please help us pray that the Lord provides for this.

At ODBC, we sing the famous Ron Hamilton Patch the Pirate song: *"May the Lord find us faithful! May His Word be our banner held high! May the Lord find us faithful every day, though we live, though we die."* This is truly our heart's earnest prayer. And once again, we express our gratitude to you for sharing with this same desire. You've been a great blessing to us and we pray that the Lord would return to you fourfold all that you have extended for the Lord's work here in Manila.

All glory belongs to God!



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