



The Caba Family

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Dear Friends,

We are grateful to the Lord for blessing us with another quarter well spent in the ministry. Our emphasis within the past few months had been for the youth of ODBC and for those around us.

It is our joy to share with you that our Discipleship Teams are now back on our Adopt-A-Center program. Little by little, we are once again allowed to be back on the streets, loving on children face to face, teaching the Bible, and feeding with simple meals one day of each week. We are now working with ten simultaneously taught centers, with an average of 25 kids for each one. It is a thrill to see the faces of these kids light up while they are jumping up and down for joy, knowing that it would be another wonderful day blessed by Jesus. Lord willing, our teams are planning on adding more centers until the end of this year.

As school started in August of this year, we knew that our Highschool Campus Ministry was still not possible as face to face classes are limited due to the backflow of the pandemic. Nowadays, schools strongly emphasize to their students to be physically fit by fulfilling requirements of regular activities in their own homes. We took this program to our advantage. And as we wait for a reopening inside the campus, we opened the Thursday Club at church. We placed a basketball ring at ODBC's parking lot and every Thursday, teenagers would come to play ball. Each week, thirty or more of them would come. They hear God's Word before the games begin and then we serve them food afterwards. The Thursday Club serves as an avenue for teenagers to know Christ. In result to this, last August, we had a baptism and two boys out of eleven candidates were from the Thursday Club.

CHILDREN CENTER



THURSDAY CLUB





At the beginning of September, we were able to put focus on our College and Young Professionals Group. With 40 individuals, we took them on a 3-day retreat; spent time away from the busyness of the city life in Manila and just had a few moments to pause and absorb precious time with God. Many of them are Millennials and Gen Zs. These are now 'career people', and we recapped to them on what it meant to be Disciple-makers even while we are being Tent-makers. They were reminded that everything that we do should always be for the glory of God. We had meaningful lectures, team buildings, prayers and shared heartfelt testimonies and worship during those days. The event was held some place where it was cool, over the mountains, but we returned to the city with burning hearts. It is a blessing that we could mentor young and willing spirits.

It is a beautiful thing to be entrusted by the Lord to look after youth in this city. And we pray that on the final quarter of this year, the Lord would continue to use us for the furtherance of the gospel. The Lord has blessed us with nine churches here in Manila, so far. And we continue to commit to Him to keep training and sending out more nationals that Christ be preached to other cities here in Manila. Furthermore, we trust in His will.

Two of our girls are now in college, Jamie Claire and Keziah Dawn. Their schedules are both different and they have to go out on a daily commute. There is nothing like Manila traffic! So, we ask that if you could please add them both in your prayers. Kerien Gail is under the supervision of my wife through homeschooling. My wife says that their bonding time in studying is treasure for her. It might be awhile before Kerien enters College, so Jamila is trying to make the best out of it.

Time flies. We know that the Lord may return anytime. But your faithfulness in partnering with us motivates us to stay focused in the ministry. Your life is a blessing to our family and we are truly grateful.

**Under His grace,
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