



This Bulletin is an update of our exciting ministry in **Mabini**, which began a little more than a year ago (see the July 2015 PAMI Bulletin posted at www.pamission.org/news). After getting names from barangay officials of the 40 neediest kids of the community, weekly feedings have been conducted since October 2015. In addition to receiving a well-balanced meal every Saturday, singing, praying, and Bible lessons are done with the children. Weekly Bible studies have also been conducted with parents. Additional activities have included sports and gardening with the children, and family medical clinics and health training. Ministry was expanded to other children from the public elementary school down the block this last spring when Samaritan's Purse made over 100 Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes available. This year Samaritan's Purse also provided discipleship workbooks and color New Testaments to those students willing to complete 12 follow-up discipleship sessions, and about 35 older kids chose to do this. Many of these kids have continued with discipleship beyond those 12 sessions. We're seeking to connect even more with students by starting a library that can serve as an after-school drop-in study and recreation center. One other service we started providing a couple months ago is a "school bus" for about 10 of the disciplined kids that graduated from the local elementary school, but could not otherwise afford to pay for transportation to the high school that is located a couple miles away. Beside the big feeding building and outdoor pavilion used for ministries to date, there is a big, two-story building with multiple apartment rooms still not yet used. We're exploring how best to start using this. Perhaps pastor families or churches can have retreats there, or it could be a temporary refuge for down-and-out people recovering from illness, unemployment, or loss of home.



OCC Graduation Ceremony in May, where about 35 students were awarded a New Testament for completing 12 discipleship sessions



Older kids help lead younger kids in singing during worship time before feeding. Note that students from Emmaus Bible Institute also come on Saturdays to help with feeding and discipleship times.



About 10 of the disciplined kids that graduated from the local elementary school get shuttled each day by Pastor Winston to and from the high school a couple miles away in this multicab "school bus" that's part of the Mabini facility graciously provided and sponsored by Brenda Bryant. Otherwise they would've dropped out because their families can't afford the fare to get to school.

Once a week before the ride they have devotions led by Ptr Winston, his wife Sister Espie, or EBI graduate Brother Bryan.



We've recently fixed up a library space within the feeding building that can serve as an after-school drop-in study and recreation center. This is the first balikbayan box of books and flash cards used to start the library. Another two balikbayan boxes are en route that include more books, games, and a used laptop. We could use even more used laptops to help students do research on the internet, write papers, or use educational software.