



You're invited... to an evening of good food, fellowship, pictures/video, and **amazing** stories of how the Lord is working in the Philippines:

ANNUAL PAMI FALL POTLUCK DINNER

**6:30 pm Friday, Sept. 24 at Emmaus Lutheran
8443 Second Ave. S., Bloomington, MN
Just bring a dish to share. Invite friends.
Call Mike Thorud at (952)975-3632 for more info.**

Our featured speaker is **Kermit Titrud** of **Wycliffe Bible Translators**, and **Joey Feliciano** will lead in worship. The theme is *Partners in the Gospel* (Phil. 1:3-5), because PAMI has partnered with so many Christian organizations this last year:

- Faith Comes By Hearing (E2E program)
- Compassion International (site for 101 kids)
- Feed My Starving Children/AmerICANHELPer.org (supplying rice casserole meals for needy kids)
- Operation Blessing (VBS training and materials)
- Church Planting Institute (assists 4 PAMI workers)
- Philippine Bible Society (subsidizes Filipino Bibles)
- VOICE (workshop and curriculum for religious workers to do values education in public schools)
- Asian Center for Missions (providing 4 months of training, and cross-cultural exposure to Palawan and soon to Mongolia for Emmaus Bible Institute graduate Arman James Formanes)

A great example of partnership is when Wycliffe supplies a written Bible translation, and then FCBH uses it as a script and supplies audio Bible Proclaimers, and then PAMI uses the Proclaimers for small group Bible study outreaches.

Yet another great example of partnership is when churches and individuals like you support PAMI with their prayers and gifts. Thanks for helping.



Thanks to John Miller, PAMI now has its own blog (web-log) on the Internet called *The PAMI Post*. It currently has over 30 articles about major news items since the start of the year. If you look, I'm sure you'll be impressed by all that's been going on. It's a great place to get the latest highlights and testimonies, get all the details, read first-hand reports by PAMI people in the field, see a lot of great pictures, and better know how to pray and help. You can visit *The PAMI Post* at www.pamimission.org/blog or by going to the "News" tab on our website. Please check it from time to time to see new articles that will get posted. The following articles are excerpts from *The PAMI Post*.

Izzy Allen Tidbit: "You know the indestructible black box on airplanes? Why don't they make the whole plane out of that stuff?"

Update on Compassion Building

Praise God that the new kids' building at EBI is now finished enough to be useable! After about two months of construction and \$2500 spent so far, the cement walls and floor, and steel roof are now in place. But approximately another \$1500 is desired to finish it (adding electrical, plastering of walls inside and outside, installing steel window frames and glass, and adding a bathroom and sink). **Please consider helping to finish the building.**

This building will especially be a big asset to the Compassion ministry. It will be a "home" for the 101 Compassion kids to gather, display their artwork, and call their own. Medical, dental, and other services will be rendered there. It will also be an office for administrative work. Furthermore, because we have this new facility, it's probable that Compassion will increase the number of sponsored kids to 150 by 2011!



New kids building being used for the first time on Aug 15

New Water Source at EBI

In June, Ptr Chito reported that due to 3 months straight of no rain, both of the hand pumps at EBI went dry. *About 50 of us are going to the river (about one mile away) morning and afternoon for our water needs--cooking, drinking, cleaning, bathing, washing, and kids building construction (water for cement).*

PAMI supplied the funds for EBI to connect to the city water supply. Ptr Chito then wrote: *Praise God that things are getting back to normal. No more rushing to the river as early as 4 AM, now that we already have water connection from the city water supply.*



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Spreading Further South with EBI Students From Those Places

Ptr Chito writes: *This year, we started to plant a church/mission in Visayas region. Isomel Espinar (one of our EBI graduates from Samar) started the work in Calbayog City, Western Samar. He is the best candidate to do the job because he speaks the same dialect with the local people. And they (with his sister Icy {EBI graduate too} and an EBI intern Dwight) are having a nice start as they already have home Bible studies. (Note: Iso and Icy still need sponsors to cover about \$100 per month allowance, \$35 per month rent, and \$25 per month to start a children's milk feeding ministry like done in most other PAMI locations.)*

The next mission thrust is Mindanao. This is a long-time prayer that began even from the heart of our beloved first missionary Rev. Norval Thorud. One of our strategies in opening a mission is to train leaders from their native place and send them back to their own people to bring the Good News.*

At this time, we have one EBI student from Mindanao, Samal Island in particular—Brother Johnnel (Jay), 18 years old, now a freshman at our school. Jay's roots trace back to one of the "cults" in Mindanao, who were bandits of a sort. We sent P2500= \$56 for Jay's travel to come to EBI.



*Please consider to pray or sponsor Jay's schooling (or others) at \$30 per month**. There are more students that would come to EBI, but our budget is limited.*

**Our great burden is to evangelize Mindanao because of a lot of Muslims, and the presence of many cults and occults, bandits, rebels and varied factions.*

***See **The PAMI Post** Feb 15th blog titled **Letter from an EBI Student Sponsored by Trinity E. Free Youth** for an example of a sponsorship connection.*

Marketplace Ministry

Ptr Chito writes: *In the past, it was very hard for people here to open their house for Bible study. We usually knocked on doors and people would look at us with disdain and reject us. This in turn compelled us to pray harder for people to be more receptive to the gospel. We prayed earnestly early in the morning (Daily Dawn Watch), and we even had prayer jogging at 4:30AM to 5:30AM praying for the place that we passed through. Praise God to see people becoming more and more responsive to the Good News, not only house to house but in **throng**s. Indeed, the fields are white for harvest.*



Poor kids at Sirangan market site reading along in Bibles as they listen to a chapter from the Faith Comes By Hearing Proclaimer

The Sirangan market site ministry is an example of "throng" response, with over 100 people! It includes both children and adults being taught God's word. The Proclaimers (audio Bibles) supplied by Faith Comes by Hearing are used extensively in this ministry. Participants have the opportunity to ask questions about what they hear from the Bible, and to share prayer requests. *God is so good for opening a ministry like this one, and many others. Thanks for your prayers.*

Small Groups Named after Virtues

In the last week of June we mobilized and involved every person of Emmaus Church into small groups. These include church members, parents of Compassion children, EBI staff and students, and outreaches. This is to be a good steward of all the people that God has entrusted to our care. To make a disciple of every believer. To have deeper relationship with people whom we are ministering in the true meaning of fellowship (koinonia) or one anothering (sharing, praying, helping...one another)...We named these VIRTUES SMALL GROUPS (VSG)--e.g. Love SG, Gentleness SG, Patience SG--13 groups in all...

(Read more details about this in **The PAMI Post** blog.)

Welcome Baby Moses

Pastor Gumer and Ofie Gile (serving Irosin Christian Church) are now proud parents of an adopted baby.

Pastor Gumer writes:

We thank God for His gift of a baby for me and my wife. The baby was from a young girl who was abandoned by a boyfriend after knowing that she's pregnant. While still pregnant, the girl decided to look for a couple who would receive her baby as she thought that she isn't capable of becoming a single mother.

Ptr Gumer and Ofie decided to adopt the baby, as they had been really praying to have one for quite a long time. So, on July 7, 2010, they took the baby, registered as his parents, and named the baby **Moses**.