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CHRISTMAS CAROL & COMMENTS

*I heard the bells on Christmas Day
Their old, familiar carols play,
And wild and sweet, the words repeat
Of peace on earth, good-will to men!*

*And thought how, as the day had come,
the belfries of all Christendom
Had rolled along, the unbroken song
Of peace on earth, good-will to men!*

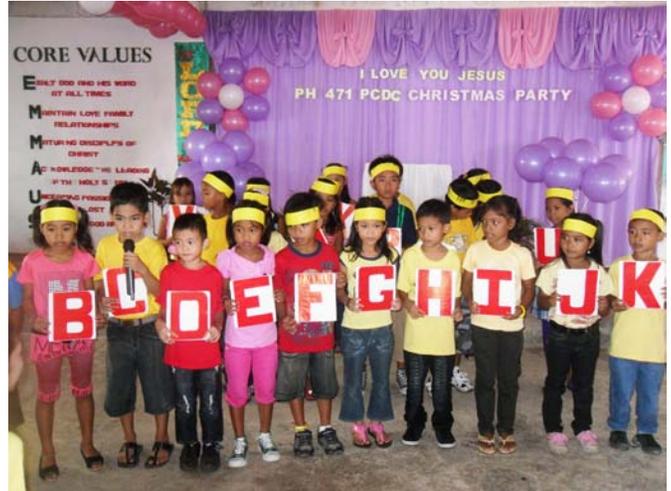
*And in despair I bowed my head;
"There is no peace on earth," I said;
"For hate is strong, and mocks the song
Of peace on earth, good-will to men!"*

*Then pealed the bells more loud and deep:
"God is not dead, nor doth He sleep;
The Wrong shall fail, the Right prevail,
With peace on earth, good-will to men."*

This song was based on an 1863 poem written by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow after his wife died in a fire and his eldest son got severely wounded in a Civil War battle. Ardelle comments:

Sin is rampant in every form. And in spite of human love and modern medicine, we can't always win over death. Losing Pastor Chito in June was hard. Ruth Perin (wife of PAMI board member Tom) and Terry Thorud, my son, also left the world in October. Doesn't God care? Is there no escape? Is there no peace? Of course He cares! He showed us how much He cares when He sent His beloved Son down to erase the sins of mankind. Now there is Hope for those of us who put our faith in the God-sent Savior. With Him we can have peace!

In the Philippines they'll soon be celebrating Christmas like shown in the following two pictures of the Compassion Padaba (well loved) Child Development Center Christmas Party from last year. There will also be a lot of caroling and other activities. It's a busy and happy time of year.



TEAM PREPARES FOR MARCH VISIT



Long-time friends Mike Thorud and Ben & Pam Wellumson praise God for getting really cheap airfare for a three week visit next March, when 8 seniors are graduating from Emmaus Bible Institute. As a nice follow-up to organization changes made during Mike's June visit, the team also plans to sing and share at various PAMI churches and outreaches. They'd appreciate partners willing to pray for & help support their efforts.

Izzy Allen Tidbit: "Give God what's right--not what's left"

**PAMI FINANCIAL REPORT
January 1, 2012 – November 30, 2012**

SAMAR HIGHLIGHTS

Receipts

Mission Support	\$45,434.30	
Designated	11,886.80	\$57,321.10
Memorials	420.00	
Potluck Offering	675.00	
Other	1,203.00	2,298.00
Total Receipts		\$59,619.10

Expenditures

Regular Budget	\$39,350.00	
Christmas Love Gifts	3,000.00	\$42,350.00
Pastor Chito Medical	7,326.00	
Trip/Help to Mission	4,493.80	
Barcelona Mortgage	1,900.00	
Educational Assistance	1,000.00	14,719.80
Other Mission Field Expenses		1,920.00
Administrative Expenses		276.50
Total Expenditures		\$59,266.30
Receipts Minus Expenditures		352.80
Cash Balance Jan. 1, 2011		12,338.38
Cash Balance Nov. 30, 2011		\$12,691.18

Prepared by David Steinmeier, PAMI Accountant

PAMI FALL POTLUCK



On October 12th the annual PAMI potluck was held at Emmaus Lutheran, with the theme "Legacy of Grace," in honor of PAMI's 30th anniversary and remembering Ptr Chito and board members who have passed on. Links to potluck videos can be found at www.pamimission.org/blog, including interviews about the early days of PAMI.



All pastors & interns in Samar gathered for fellowship Dec 1. Pastor Randy & Nida Rivera are in Allen. Pastor Eduard & two interns are in San Isidro. And Pastora Lordy & 1 intern started pioneering in Catarmin in October. Monthly sponsors are still needed to cover Lordy's \$75 allowance, \$35 rent, & \$25 children's milk feeding. After March we could use more sponsors to retain other EBI graduates at \$75/month each.

A family in Allen church was very happy to receive a Christmas gift of a stroller for their five year old disabled girl.



Because a principal is a listener of Ptr Randy's radio programs, he's been invited to conduct devotions at several public schools in Allen.



MISSION SUMMARY

PAMI is a non-denominational evangelical mission started in 1982 in Sorsogon Province of the Philippines by Norval & Ardelle Thorud, aimed at reaching the unreached, teaching and discipling, and assisting the suffering. U.S. missionaries stayed until 1989. The work has flourished with national workers ever since. PAMI now has 25 Filipino workers in 14 locations. Besides churches and pioneering works, there's a 4 year Bible school (Emmaus Bible Institute) with 28 students learning to be church planting pastors and Christian workers. Radio programs and milk feeding outreaches to children are also conducted. All this is accomplished with an annual regular budget of only \$45,000. Gifts are tax-deductible and 99% goes to the field.

ADDITIONAL REPORTS FROM PAMI WORKERS

December Activities of Pastor Virgilio Fulo and the Bulan Church

1. Dec. 2 – First Sunday service, nice and successful.
2. Dec. 4 – My 48th birthday celebration.
3. Dec. 5 – I bought copies of Bibles in Legaspi, 25 New Testaments.
4. Dec. 6 – House blessing of Brother Genuine and Sister Sonia in Tanga and opening a Bible study.
5. Dec. 7 – Conducting wedding of Pastor Edward and Sis. Claire from Juban, Sorsogon.
6. Dec. 11 – Birthday Celebration of Phil Cristoff, son of Bro. Philip and Sis. Christy.
7. Dec. 16 – Child dedication of Sis. Jovylyn's son.
8. Dec. 19 – PAMI family Christmas party (tentative schedule).
9. Dec. 20-21 – Young people's caroling.
10. Dec. 21 - Conducting wedding of Bro. Jayson and Sis. Xinnia in Legaspi.
11. Dec. 23 – Bulan Church Christmas celebration.
12. Dec. 24 – Conducting wedding of Bro. Perfecto and Sis. Grace.
13. Dec. 27 – Young people's music fest.
14. Dec. 30 – Child dedication, in Castilla of Pastor Reggie and Sis. Irene's child.
15. Dec. 31 – Overnight prayer meeting from 8:00pm to 4:00am.

This afternoon, December 8, four young people received 4 copies of the New Testament Bible. It is a fruit of the cell group conducted every first Sunday.

At the children's ministry in Ilawud (Sis. Lilia's house) there are 30 children attending every Friday afternoon.

As 2013 approaches, we have to prepare a new vision and plan for the expansion of God's kingdom. We are praying and seeking the will of God. We are praying that this year will be a year of revival--that many souls will be brought to Christ and be saved through evangelism and other strategies.

Emmaus Ministry Updates from Sister Ofel Mendizabal

Greetings with peace in Christ's most precious Name!

We are so blessed that GOD in HIS Sovereignty made our lives strong enough to overcome all the paces of life through the very grace of GOD.

We are so thankful to our GOD, knowing that in all our weaknesses, He gives us peace and endurance to do His will. He is able to do exceedingly great things upon the lives of His children here at Emmaus – physically, emotionally and spiritually.

As far as Emmaus is concerned, by His abundant grace we are now keeping and moving on little by little. We have focused on our Vision: *A church of trained disciplines transforming families and communities for the Glory of GOD* and focused on our Mission: *An equipping church producing disciples, meeting the needs of families of Sorsogon and beyond for holistic transformation.*

We have 16 cell groups that we named after Virtues of Character. We divided the parents of 140 Compassion kids for Bible Studies. Amazingly, parents from discipleship Bible studies and Sunday school can now be used by GOD to do presiding, giving the scripture reading, call to worship, response reading and even playing guitar for worship celebrations. Individual leaders perform their designated Bible studies. Everyone has joy doing their missions and sharing the good news of eternal salvation. We have Bible studies from Monday up to Sunday afternoon.

Aside from the cell groups, we opened another Bible study at Capuy Poddol. This area was the one we are praying for a long time. And GOD answered because we have about eight up to twelve listeners who have a lot of thirst and hunger for His Word. One mother testified about a week that she can't attend Bible studies due to busyness when she went with her husband catching fish. She felt weak and missed attending Bible studies.

Everyone participates, especially having their testimonies before we go on to our exhortation. We are very happy how the LORD works in their lives. Another mother testified that when she opened Bible study at their own house, the LORD blesses their family in so many ways. They have now a motor boat. Praise GOD!

We have also children and feeding ministry there in Capuy. About thirty-nine children attend. And there are three young people who join in our Youth Gathering every last week of the month here at Emmaus. All the glory and honors belong to Him alone!

About Padaba Child Development Center, our goal is that the children we are teaching become disciplined to be mature Christians. We have so many activities with them, like every class doing a presentation at every service of this month. Programs equip them morally, emotionally, and spiritually. As the outcome, I am so blessed that my class can now do things without hesitating, while before they are very shy. Now they can perform interpretative dance, tambourine, recite long verses from the Bible, and can tell stories like the Prodigal son. Many improvements are happening in their lives and we praise GOD for this.

I also meet every month with interns and I praise GOD that He works mightily upon their lives. Before, one student always cried, especially when his parents both died. Now I see that he has courage.

All because of Him that never leaves nor forsakes us! To GOD be all the highest glory!

PRAYER REQUEST: Good health for everyone and GOD's wisdom in all things we do!

Irosin Church Update from Pastor Gumer Gile

Glory to God because last October 26, 2012, God allowed us to have a film showing at Barangay Mapaso, Irosin, Sorsogon. Even though we experience bad weather at that time but God controlled it. Therefore many people came and watched the film of Jesus that was shown by Pastor Lorenzo. It resulted in people who really believed in Jesus as their Lord and personal savior at the altar call but not to others. Anyway, the people at Mapaso are presently controlled by a Spaniard family since they are the owners of that place and are Captains of that barangay. The majority of people there are not totally free. But we thank the Lord for having additional Bible studies there.

Presently, we have more Bible studies in barangays of San Agustin, Patag, San Roque, and Carriedo, followed by discipleship, Radio Program and our children ministry. It is all under God's provision. To God be the glory!

Summary of 2012 E2E Jesus Film Showings by Pastor Lorenzo

Date	Location	Conducted By	# Attended	Description of Response	# New Believers	# New Listening Groups	1st Meeting	# Attendees	Follow-up
03/23/12	Virdugo St., Guinlajon, Sorsogon City	Lorenzo Fugen	50 plus	70% prayed acceptance prayer	14 persons	3 households	04/02/12	13 persons	Ptr. Lorenzo w/ EBI students
08/08/12	Sitio Parola, Castilla, Sorsogon	Lorenzo Fugen & Ptr.Redgie	90 plus	60% prayed acceptance prayer	20 persons	4 households Bible study	08/12/12	8 persons	Ptr. Redgie w/ young people from their church
09/05/12	Tondancena, Castilla, Sorsogon	Lorenzo Fugen & Ptr. Redgie	80 plus	80% prayed acceptance prayer	30 persons	3 households	09/12/12	9 persons	Ptr. Redgie with church members
09/28/12	Parola Poblacion, Castilla, Sorsogon	Lorenzo Fugen & Ptr. Redgie	60 plus	80% prayed acceptance prayer	14 persons	Additional 2 households	1st week of Oct	Added 5	Ptr. Redgie w/ young people from their church
10/27/12	Brgy. Mapaso, Irosin, Sorsogon	Lorenzo Fugen & Ptr.Gumer	300 plus	50% prayed acceptance prayer	14 persons	3 households Bible study	11/04/12	8 persons	Ptr. Gumer with church members