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 PAMI also gladly accepts donations in the form of stocks.

There are plans for exciting things soon to come. Please pray they go well. **Jack Wittnebel is returning** to the Philippines from May 29 - June 19, to spend time with friends made during last summer's team visit and perhaps to help with kids/youth activities.

PAMI's Emmaus Bible Institute is having a commencement ceremony on June 7th. Of the five to graduate, Marites and Christian intend to work for EBI alumni Judy in her Manila and Northern Samar branches, where she has placement service centers that recruit and prepare Overseas Foreign Workers to serve in other Asian countries and the Middle East. Judy will also have Marites, Christian, and EBI intern Shane do ministry in and around these centers. Jordan will serve with CAMACOP churches. Jennifer will continue as a Compassion Case Worker. And Jamil will probably help his foster father, PAMI Ptr Gumer, with ministry in Irosin and Juag Island.

June 10-14 will be a music camp at EBI, with about 7 attendees from each PAMI church becoming more proficient at playing instruments and leading worship. The week following this will be the first **Breakthrough youth gathering,** organized by Shelley Mendizabal. We could still use about \$800 more to help cover the \$1600 budget of these two events.

Beginning with the new school year in August, we are planning to **start a college scholarship program** to give \$100 per semester schooling help to up to 10 young people to be chosen on the basis of need, academic potential or personal drive, solid spiritual walk and involvement in a PAMI church. We hope this leads to more professional jobs that decrease poverty and increase church offerings and sustainability. Please consider helping to sponsor this.

Since the start of the year, there are several developments to praise God for and report on.

A couple Filipino Christian organizations (CEF and Matthew 18:14) have declared 2024 to be The Year for Children. As part of this, several of our workers have restarted Values Instruction Classes

in public schools. In Mabini. Sister Espie also heads up the community preschool. They launched the year with a parade in 3 (Anog. barangays Rangas, and Mabini), that included flags and tambourines. Rock Rider Christian motorcyclists, & mascot JJ.





On Feb 24, the Bulan Church young people celebrated their 13th anniversary with about 80 attending and theme from Ephesians 6:10-18. Since last year's big Youth Camp and Team Visit, the Bulan young people have been becoming more active again -- attending Sunday school, discipleship sessions, and other activities.



The Bulan churches and their outreaches also just had a group baptism of 11 on May 11th.





On March 25th a group wedding was held at EBI for 7 sets of Compassion parents that never had a marriage ceremony due to cost. Then on May 1-2 a Compassion Family Camp was held at Valley View Resort, which included 14 couples and topics of marriage counseling, managing family conflicts, and Biblical principles. Emmaus Fellowship Church is also implementing Kapehan Sa Emmaus sessions to talk about family matters, share life's experiences, and cover disciplining with the Word of God. These efforts have helped get men more involved, so it's not just women involved with church.







We are thankful for how Joseph Ortega, owner of Valley View Resort (about a mile from EBI), keeps offering his facility for conducting kids ministry and gatherings. PAMI workers were happy to be included in a SEED (Something to Eat Every Day) food security seminar offered there by his associates, which included instruction about organic gardening, production of bio fertilizer, & bio sand water filtration.

Other recent trainings attended by PAMI people include ones on Bible Literacy and Project Philip, Matthew 18:14 curriculum, and intro to the kids ministry of AWANA (including the iconic game circle).



MISSION SUMMARY

PAMI is a non-denominational evangelical mission started in 1982 in Sorsogon Province of the Philippines, aimed at reaching the unreached, teaching and discipling, and assisting the poor. U.S. missionaries stayed until 1989. The work has flourished with national workers ever since. The mission has 20+ PAMI-paid Filipino workers in 20+ places. Besides churches and outreaches, there's a 4 year Bible school (Emmaus Bible Institute) with students learning to be church planting pastors and Christian workers. EBI also is a center for 230 Compassion sponsored kids. Radio programs and feeding ministry to children are also conducted. All this is accomplished with an annual budget of only \$75,000. Gifts are tax-deductible and 100% goes to