## BAGULIN BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH Suyo, Bagulin, La Union 2512 QUARTERLY REPORT January-March 2022

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Dear Prayer Partners,

Greetings in the Name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. How was the first quarter of another God given year to all of you brethren? We have received lots of blessing we wanted to share with you through this letter.

Our 2021 ended with thanksgiving and so we also started our new year with a thanksgiving. January 2, we had our thanksgiving in the Church, with the theme "Remembering God's Goodness." I was able to listen to God's word from the Missionaries we are supporting, Ptr. Sande and Ptr. Alex. Truly when we all try to look back in our past, we only have God to thank with. We also have with us our brethren from different churches here in Bagulin, making our thanksgiving full of challenges and blessings. We are thankful to God for blessing us, the church, that we were able to continue supporting these two Pastors. Please do continue to pray for us, for we are planning to support another missionary, Bro. Renato, his sending church Pasacla Bible Baptist Church told us during one of our Pastors' Prayer Meeting that it is a joint mission, that all of us are involved in it. He needs a lot of prayers and support for he travels a lot, he has to go back home in his hometown, Pangasinan, every Saturday and comes back here at Sunday evening, and he travels by riding his motorcycle.

Last January 9, I worried the brethren unintentionally when I was about to go up the stage to preach God's word, I haven't realized I had already fallen, thankfully. Bro. Randy, our song leader was able to catch me. It was only the start of our Sunday School Service but I was almost carried back to our room, thankfully Bro. Randy was able to preach. One of the church member who is a nurse, Sis. Carina, suggested that I have to go to the hospital but during that time, before anyone is admitted to any hospital, one must undergo Covid-19 testing. And here in our place, the results can be sometimes unbelievable, I was thinking about the brethren that time, if I go to the hospital and the test came out to be positive, then everyone who was inside the church with me that time will all undergo quarantine. So I declined, thankfully as a nurse, she thought of an alternative, all throughout the length of our Sunday Service she was checking on me. I have seen how blessed I am in having such brethren, I have felt how they value and support me as their Pastor. They have sent me medicines and fruits, even those brethren abroad has reached out to me upon knowing what happened. And what made me even thankful about it was the fact that my only son came home fast and brought me all kinds of medicines. I was able to recover. My son was rarely home so I was thankful that he was able to stay with us. Their care, support and prayers made me a lot better, although it took me almost four weeks to recover, I was still thankful that through this incident God has worked His wonders.

January 29, last Saturday of the month, though I was not fully recovered, we went to Alabok, Blessed Hope Baptist Mission, under Ptr. Sande, for there Anniversary. We are so happy to see how God has blessed them through the Church building improvement. Please do continue to pray for us that whatever projects they are to accomplish we might be able to continually support them.

Our February was full of love, most especially God's love. The wedding celebration of one of the church members that has been pending due to Covid-19 was already been held, thanks to

God's mercy. It was supposed to be held last year, but due to the Covid-19 and the up and down cases, it has to be kept on hold. And the greatest love one has to know and accept which is God's love was shared to all those visitors who attended the wedding. We are happy knowing that the husband and wife had shared burdens on their unsave brethren and friends for they asked God's word to be preached on their wedding celebration. Though February was the least month, God has never showed us less, that even due to the rising cases of Covid-19, we are still able to continue our Wednesday Prayer Meeting, Saturday Good News Class and Visitation and our Sunday Services.

March came with a wonderful blessing, due to the upcoming election, we are now in the Alert Level 1. Election here is always heated, they even take it to social media. Please do pray for us that we Christians are able to show our differences from those who claim that they know Christ but it does not show in their lives. We may be able to stay away from the war or the divisions this upcoming election has brought us. That through prayers we may be able to have a peaceful election. This month, there were two men who obeyed our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ in the Water Baptism. We only have the Lord to thank for their willingness. Please do continue to help us pray that they may continue in serving our Lord as well as be more involved in the ministry. There are still lots of men in our church who has not yet been baptized, do help us pray that they truly know the way of Salvation and someday be willing to be baptized.

March 26, we went to Baay, to attend another Church Anniversary, it was far from the town and it's such a blessing to experience the journey Ptr. Patrick has to repeatedly experience everytime he comes down to our place. The roads were too narrow that two four-wheeled vehicles can't meet but despite this, we can see how faithful God was to his servant.

I was also invited to one of a birthday celebration to one of the Sis. Juliana, a Senior member of the chuch's birthday, she has great burden to her family, she was the only one saved in their family, her children and grandchildren weren't. So she asked me to share the good news to them, hoping that they will also receive Jesus Christ as their Lord and personal Savior. We are human and we don't know what was really in their hearts, if they really did accept Jesus Christ as their Savior, but we can pray that God's word will continue to work in their lives.

There were eight souls who accepted our Savior Jesus Christ during our Saturday Visitations. Do help us pray that we may have the undying love and patience to keep on going back to those who promised to attend our Services, and yet failed to do so. May our Good News Class teacher continue to love and teach the children despite the hardness to communicate with them due to their slow understanding, and may the parents who have also heard of the stories their children have been hearing might also reflect on their lives.

The last week of March was full on the preparation of the upcoming events for the month of April so we were quite busy.

Please do continue praying for our children here, the babies have grown and they're making their teachers' hands full, they ran around and play around, but they have been our constant joy, especially when they sing for the Lord. There were 19 regualr children in total and there were only two Sunday School teachers, so when they can't handle them, they ask for the young people to aid them. When the regular attendees come, they would be atleast 25 children in total. Do help us pray that as they grow up, they won't be ashamed to come to church. This has been the case for us here, as the children grow up, they became ashamed to come, there has been up to 10 children since last year who has stopped attending their Sunday School Classes, some due to returning to their homelands, others due to their studies, and mostly just because they have grown and become ashamed. These kids are the future of our church, and we pray that as small as they are now, they might understand why they were there in the first place.

Our Young People has always been short of men, as of now, there's only one man in the YP attendance of 13. So being the only guy, he tends to shy away. Do help us pray that there would come a time that he won't be the only guy, that those who we share God's word would come to Church

and be part of it. Do continue to help us pray for these young people that even they are to get married or to transfer to any schools, wherever they go, they will still seek God. Some have forgotten to come back when they have studied or had their own family, but we always pray that God's word will work on their lives and someday with hope in our hearts we are able to serve our Almighty God together with them. Our musicians which are all ladies are in here. Do help us pray for their continuous spiritual growth and their support in ministries.

Thank you brethren for being a constant supporter especially in prayers. It means a lot to us. We have nothing to give you back than our prayers for you also. Please do continue to pray for us that we may continue to be a blessing and continually serve the Lord til He comes.

## **Prayer Requests:**

the continuation of the construction of the Pastoral house a playground for the Sunday School Children faithfulness and good health my son Genesis the safety and needs of my two daughters who travel a lot due to their studies

> Your Missionary, Pedrito P. Pulmano and Family BBBC