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MAY-JULY 2025 REPORT

Our Beloved Brethren in the Lord,

We write to you once again with grateful hearts for your unwavering support and prayers for us! We thank and praise God Almighty who faithfully sustains us in His ministry! It is with much excitement to share to you what the Lord continuous to do through His work here in Candon City!

For the month of **MAY**, we celebrated Mothers day with 18 mothers in our church, 6 of them were returning visitors and 3 first time. We praise the Lord for the opportunity to share the gospel to 6 of them and they all made professions of faith. We also rejoice for 9 first time and returning visitors during one of our Sunday services in the same month. One more highlight is our Vacation Bible School which was attended by 93 children, 31 of them professed to receive Jesus as their Savior! Hallelujah! Jesus loves them too and He commanded us to reach these precious souls. Investing in this ministry takes quite long but the results are amazing if we let God give the increase in His time. Keep planting and watering! Most of these kids are a result of our weekly children centers. It's not always easy to teach and disciple kids. It takes a lot of love and patience from the Lord but the fruit is so much rewarding! We'll never know what God will do in their lives. We just have to do our part—plant seeds of faith in them.

We continue with our weekly visitations as well—giving out gospel tracts, soul winning and conducting bible studies. Glory to God for souls being saved through these ministries!



MOTHERS DAY 2025



First time and returning visitors...



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2025



For the month of **JUNE**, my wife and I celebrated our 16th wedding anniversary and my wife had her 36th birthday too. God is so good! Through the ups and downs of our marriage life and the ministry, He's always with us. Thank you to everyone who sent their anniversary and birthday greetings!

The Lord gave us an opportunity to be part of a Church Strengthening Conference in June 10-13. It was a huge blessing! We were able to bring 8 key people in our church. We thank God for the many learnings for the growth of our church. Now, we are implementing some of them and it really helped. In the same month, we were able to sell our old church van and purchase a better one:) We didn't have enough budget to buy a brand new or a slightly used van yet so we just used what we had. Praying, it will be useful in the ministry without giving us so much headache:) In God's perfect time, still praying He'll blessed us with a new one so we can use it for a longer time.

The highlight of this month is the celebration of fathers day in our church and the redemption of points in our children ministry. We had 8 fathers including myself—2 were returning visitors. I had the opportunity to share the gospel to them and praise the Lord, 1 of them came back again. Now, he comes to church with his family from time to time. Also, a christian family started attending our church. They have been coming for 3 months now—please pray for God's perfect will regarding their membership.

Doing our "redemption store" this year for our children ministry was quite challenging. We didn't have the budget to do it coz' we just had our vacation bible school—but the Lord provided in His amazing way. In short, God enabled us to have it and we were able to help a little with the school supplies of the kids in our 5 children's center and our Sunday schoolers as well.



Church Strengthening Conference



Fathers Day Sunday



Dedicating our old van replacement



**More gospel opportunities...
Youth Development Session & Funeral Service**



1st "Redemption Store" for the year



VILLARICA CENTER



CATERMAN CENTER

PARATONG CENTER



More souls saved during soul winning and tracts distribution! To God be all the glory!



SAN AGUSTIN CENTER



CALONGBUYAN CENTER

For the month of **JULY**, we thought of a way we could strengthen our prayer meeting since only few attends for many years as a church. We got the idea from my wife's home church. Everyday, we have "Cluster Prayer Meetings" and once a month, we all join in the church. We saw that it works especially now that our rainy season has started. Another blessing of this is that we are able to reach more people because we have visitors joining us from time to time and brethren who have not attended church for awhile are being restored. Thank God for ways and wisdom He gives so we can be more productive in His vineyard. We continue with our weekly visitations—doing children centers, bible studies, soul winning and tracts distribution by the grace of God. We also fixed our church schedule so we can have regular fellowships. We decided to do simultaneous fellowship once a month after our eating fellowship. We did our first one for July and it wasn't bad. We had 20 for the young people, 4 for adult men and 9 for adult ladies. God also blessed us with a first time visitor for the month who also invited another visitor. Please pray that the Lord will work in his salvation.



One highlight of this month is the reopening of our Bible School at our mother church in La Union. We named it New Hope Bible Institute. There were 4 enrollees (2 from us) but unfortunately, one did not continue. We also have sit-ins during night classes. Presently, they do not have a decent dormitory that's why all their stuff got wet when a strong typhoon hit La Union just last week. The teachers (including myself), go there to teach at their own expense—food and gas. All 3 of our students are self supporting (no support from their families). Commitments from New Hope churches and missions were made to help keep the Bible School going. Kindly include them in your prayers. If you are interested in partnering with us in this ministry, it will be much appreciated!



Please include **CAMP HOPE** in your prayers as well. It's location is beside a river and just this past week, the river almost reached the floor level of the multi-purpose gym due to the strong typhoon. The urgent need right now is the putting of river control so the soil would not be eroded during rainy season and the gym will be more secured. Praying for this need to be met (\$5000). Pray for our upcoming church anniversary too—good weather, many souls to be saved and believers strengthened through the preaching of God's Word and God's provision.

Our dear brothers and sisters in the Lord, once again we **THANK YOU FROM THE BOTTOM OF OUR HEARTS** for faithfully partnering with us! You are a great part of all that God is doing in the ministry here and we pray for you! God bless you more in return!!!

IN CHRIST,
Missionary Jenesis Santiago & Family