



# GORIO FAMILY

GALIMUYOD, ILOCOS SUR, PHILIPPINES, 2709

But wilt thou know, O vain man, that faith without works is dead?

James 2:20

Grace and peace to you in the most precious name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, to whom be all glory forever and ever. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to all of you, our beloved brethren in the Lord, for your unwavering commitment and steadfast faith in Christ. On behalf of New Hope Baptist Church in Galimuyod, Philippines, we sincerely thank you for your fervent prayers and support for the ministry that God has entrusted to us. Since our first church anniversary in 2023, the enemy has been relentless in his attempts to destroy the work of God. Over the past months and years, our ministry has faced many trials and spiritual battles. Attendance at our church services has declined, some members have fallen away, and our outreach programs, Bible studies, and missions have been deeply affected. Even our children’s ministry has struggled, and it has been very difficult to reconnect with the young ones for Christ. In the same year, we lost three families from the church, which added to the weight of discouragement. The church has been under great pressure, and we have walked through a season of hardship. My wife and I have felt this burden both physically and spiritually. Yet, in all these things, God has remained faithful. By His grace, my family and the church are pressing on — striving together in faith and service to the Lord. We continue to trust Him, knowing that He is able to restore and revive all that has been shaken.



We give thanks and glory to God for His grace upon us this April. We held our joint youth camp and we are so grateful to witness His hand at work. Some of our youths were revived, one visitor professed faith in Christ as his Lord and Saviour, and one surrendered to enter in Bible school. Yet with heavy hearts, we also acknowledge that some walk in disobedience. This generation, immersed in the digital age, our youth constantly targeted by the enemy. We earnestly ask for your prayers— that our young people may remain steadfast in their faith and that God would mold and use them for His glory. Pray with us that God’s Word would dwell in their hearts and minds, guiding them toward righteousness and truth.

On the first Sunday of May, we celebrated our third church anniversary with joy and thanksgiving. We reflected on God’s unwavering faithfulness through the years since the ministry begun. We are especially grateful that two brethren who had once strayed have returned to the fold, now rejoicing in God’s mercy and recognizing His faithfulness even through their wandering.





During the last week of May, we held our vacation Bible School. Despite the onset of the rainy season, 68 children attended and remained until graduation. We praise God that five of them professed faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. God provide abundantly—both for their physical and spiritual were nourished. We give Him all the glory for keeping them safe and attentive throughout the program. Please continue to pray with us as we strive to nurture and teach these children in their respective learning centers.



In June, a new children's center was opened in Oaig Daya, Candon City, Ilocos Sur, near our community. We are thankful for the eagerness of these young hearts to hear the Word of God. Every Saturday, they prepare the space themselves—setting up chairs and waiting patiently for our arrival. Their hunger for God's Word brings joy and encouragement to us. We pray that they may grow in their faith in Christ and live lives that bring glory to His name.

## PRAYER REQUEST

### 1. SPIRITUAL BLESSINGS/NUMERICAL GROWTH

- Church Spiritual growth, Church members faithfulness and commitment
- Fruitful ministries and Christian service—More souls to be saved
- More Families added to the Church
- Children Ministries

### 2. GOOD HEALTH FOR GORIO FAMILY AND DAILY NEEDS

- please consider our daughter Mariane Grace, she needs P29,400 for her allergy test and to her healing allergic rhinitis and feet dermatitis

### 3. STABLISH MISSION WORK

- Mount Sinai, Sitio Mindanao, Amguid, Candon City, Ilocos Sur
- Spiritual growth and numerical growth
- God's will for our temporary worship place

### 4. Completion of our children's nursery room

### 5. BRO. ARJAY GALARIO (our Bible School Student )—to finished Bible School, God's calling in the ministry, financial needs,