

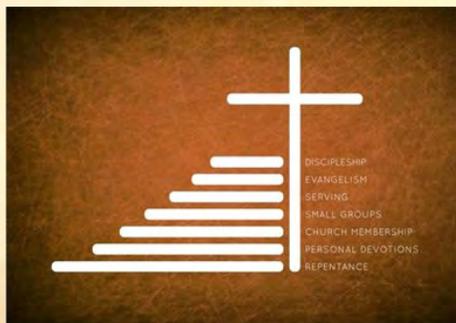


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Merry Christmas and a blessed new year!

September 4th marked my 54<sup>th</sup> birthday. The church that I pastor hosted a simple celebration for my special day. Praise God for my loved ones, brethren, and friends who have been there for me through the years.



I met with my local church leaders for our discipleship ministry planning and training. I conducted a local discipleship training of leaders adopting the Burnham Ministry International's *7-Steps of Christian Living* model.

I flew to the Mindanao area, which is in the southern part of the Philippines, to attend and speak at a Thanksgiving service and the district convention at the San Miguel local church Santo Tomas, Davao del Norte, with Pastor Jun Paculanan, Bagong Silang.



After the convention, we visited the mission church in Santo Tomas followed by our church at Concepcion, Asunsi6n with their newly built church sponsored by a Korean Christian group.

Pastor Jun flew back to Manila and I proceeded further down south by bus to attend another district convention at the Alabel local church in Sarangani Province with Pastor Noel Ignacio, District 2A overseer, who had travelled many miles to meet me there. Traveling by bus in this area is an interesting experience due to terrorism and the presence of rebel groups. We had to get out of the bus at designated military check points, fall in line, and be checked individually by military personnel. We stayed at our district overseer's house during the event just to find out later that he has been receiving threats from a rebel group for not paying a revolutionary tax that they extort from business men, church, and political leaders. Praise God that we were fine throughout the time we were there but we were being watched. Continue to pray for our district overseer and his family because he has to deal with this while doing his business and ministry. Recently, he had to give in to their demands and paid them a huge sum of money on top of a monthly contribution. Despite these setbacks, God has blessed us with wonderful people to work with and brethren who love the Lord and the ministry! Thank God for the wonderful services and fellowship during the convention! I then traveled back to Manila to continue my ministry as local church pastor as well as my ministry as the national overseer.



The fund raising for the air-conditioning units still continues. As of this newsletter, we have raised enough money for 5 out of the 6 units and have ordered them for installation. Hopefully, we can raise the rest of the funding before our coming national convention and pastors training this summer in the country. The last unit cost is US \$2000.

May you experience the real meaning of the season with the love and blessing from our Savior Jesus Christ! Have a very merry Christmas and a blessed 2017!



Bishop Roger Justiniano  
National Overseer  
Philippines

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