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Thank You!

Fiscal Report

OUT: \$4,089	IN: \$4,080
Ministry \$3,340	Gifts: \$3,511
Family: \$635	Hon: \$549
Debt: \$114	Interest: \$20
YTD STATUS: 98% (-\$785)	

Special Projects



270 SQ. MTR PLAYGROUND:
GOAL: \$15,000
RAISED: \$00,000

4WD PICKUP: GOAL: \$10,000
RAISED: \$9,324
NORTHDORM: GOAL: \$25,000
RAISED: \$426



BLC CHILDREN'S EMERGENCY MEDICAL FUND:

WE SPOKE WITH A YOUTH GROUP IN WILLIAMSPORT, PENNSYLVANIA, TELLING ABOUT THE NEEDS OF DESTITUTE FILIPINO CHILDREN WHO CAN'T AFFORD HOSPITALIZATION FOR LIFE-AND-DEATH EMERGENCIES. A STUDENT FROM THE NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY WAS MOVED BY THE LORD AND CHALLENGED HER SCHOOL CLUB TO SEND THE PROCEEDS FROM A FUND RAISER FOR THE BLC CHILDREN'S EMERGENCY MEDICAL FUND! THE BLC EMERGENCY MEDICAL FUND IS AN ANSWER TO PRAYER FOR MANY FILIPINO CHILDREN.

Barner Learning Center Sponsorships

The BLC (*Barner Learning Center*) International Kinderschool Sponsorship Program is an opportunity for Filipino children who otherwise might not be able to afford a quality Christian education to obtain schooling at no cost to their families through the "adoption" of their financial schooling obligations by international supporters. For support of those at ages 2 through 13, the fee is \$20 (P1000) per month.

Each Sponsorship covers the following: *tuition, enrollment, books, uniform, registration, dental checkup, insurance, medical checkup, ID card/jacket, instructional materials, PTA & library & campus fees, school publications, graduation fee & gown, yearbook, field trip transportation costs, boy/girl scout membership & uniforms, gym fee, and basic school supplies (notebooks, pencils, etc.)*

Please send to Christian Aid Mission (address below)

THE PMBMI STORY:

"Jesus Brings us Together" was the theme of our 1996 wedding, for God had called both Elvie & me from childhood to be future missionaries. Once married, we planted a church and then reached out to the community through a much-needed kinderschool. The church now averages 150 each Sunday, & the school teaches over 160 each day. Paul M. Barner Ministries, Inc. (PMBMI) is a federally - recognized American charitable organization which we established, designed to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ through planting and strengthening churches around the globe.

The Barners are presently on furlough in the United States through October.

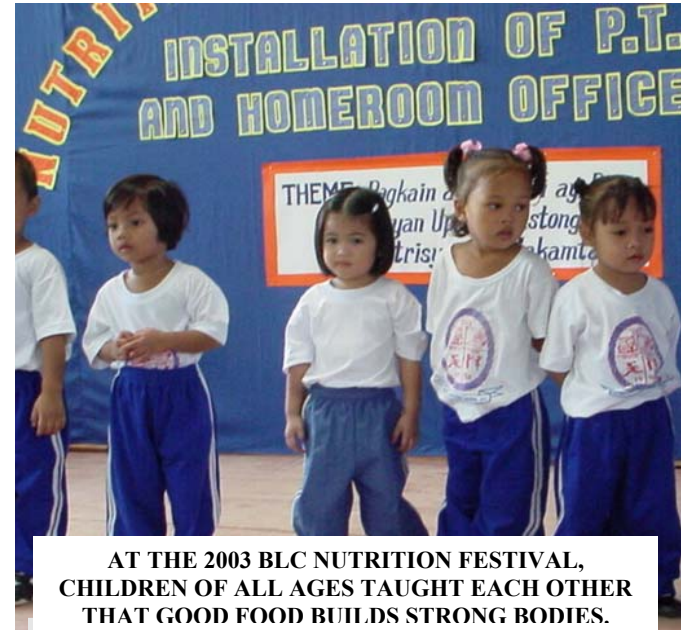
Furlough address:
 18 Eileen Drive, Rensselaer, NY 12144

PLEASE PRAY:

- THAT MANY WILL COME ON SHORT-TERM MISSION TRIPS IN NOVEMBER AND FEBRUARY TO BLC FOR THE MEDICAL/DENTAL CLINIC & THE CONSTRUCTION OF OUR NEW BLC DORM.

2003 Pepper*

**PEPPER=Paul and Elvie's Prayer & Praise newsletter*
Paul and Elvie Barner
Church Planters in the Philippines



AT THE 2003 BLC NUTRITION FESTIVAL, CHILDREN OF ALL AGES TAUGHT EACH OTHER THAT GOOD FOOD BUILDS STRONG BODIES.

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Susan Barner Christiansen:
a woman of faith
July 26, 1956-
July 25, 2003

PRAYER: INSTANT 2-WAY COMMUNICATION WITH GOD

“While I was praying for your daughter Sue this morning, God told me there was no need to pray anymore. I called to ask what happened.” It was a fantastic phone call. Dad and Mom were away at my sister Sue’s house on the morning it was recorded on their answering machine. At the very moment, Sue was passing into Glory.

Mom has gone in to check on her, and Sue was napping. Then a few moments later she checked again, and could see that Sue’s head was slumped over. She knew that Sue’s soul had likely left her body.

Elvie, the kids and I were away at Delta Lake Bible Conference Center, speaking and challenging campers to become missionaries. The camp director told us the news of Sue’s death. We cried and prayed in a little huddle there on the campgrounds. When we got back to Dad and Mom’s house, we checked the messages on the answering machine.

Isn’t God wonderful? He has chosen such wonderful people to be His children: people who care for and console each other. Sue’s husband Rich has decided to have all memorials go to Barner Learning Center. We will use the \$500 that has come in, plus any other money that arrives, to build a sixth grade classroom in memory of her.

For 14 yrs Sue taught Special Education to 6th graders.

OUR DISSAPPOINTMENTS: GOD’S APPOINTMENTS

We planted a church in Davao City, Philippines with the help of students from a local Bible College. Recently the college changed its policy. Student’s won’t be leaving to do ministry in local churches on Sundays anymore. So now the new believers in our church are taking responsibility. Each morning they have a prayer time. Half a dozen men get together for prayer. Most of these have been believers less than a year! Our BLC teachers are now teaching Sunday School, and the interim principal recently led a parent to become a believer!

**ULTIMATE HEALING:
GOODBYE SUE!**

My sister Susan completed her six-year cancer battle on July 25. The morning before her 47th birthday she took a nap and woke up in heaven. Thank you for your many prayers for her strength during these past years.

After she successfully planned my parents’ Golden anniversary celebration earlier in the month, the family had a joyous time of singing hymns as she listened in. When we left we each said goodbye, aware it would likely be the last time. Tears and smiles made bittersweet memories that will last the rest of our days.

The last few months Sue and her husband Rich let Elvie, me and the kids stay occasionally with them whenever we were to speak in her area of New York State. We’d surprise her in the mornings with mini celebrations.

One morning it was Post-it Notes. We stuck hundreds of them all over the house with messages of faith and memories like “Remember when...?”

Another day it was balloons, dozens of them, all hanging from the ceiling of her special room. Then there was the day of the streamers. Why? Because as we watched her life flickering dimmer and dimmer like a candle about to go out, we treated every day like a birthday: a gift from God to cherish and celebrate.

She planned her own funeral, a time of rejoicing. The pastor read the message that was from Sue’s own pen:

My message to you: We pray for miracles, but when God doesn’t grant them, why are we surprised? God has His own plan, and it doesn’t always agree with ours. As Christians, we have hope for our future that others don’t have. We have hope of Heaven and spending eternity with God.

Since April, I have rapidly slid downhill. Life hasn’t been much fun when all I can do is eat and sleep. I have very little energy for much else. This wasting away doesn’t mean I’ve lost my faith in God. If anything, it has made it stronger.

I will miss Richard, my wonderful family and friends. However, I am in a better place-with no more pain and suffering. Please be happy for me, and if you haven’t made Jesus the center of your life-please don’t wait any longer. I want to see you all in Heaven some day.

Susan ☺

GIVE YOURSELF A HUG!

*“I want to be a missionary when I grow up!
I helped 200 kids already with my offering this week!”*

Around the closing campfire at Delta Lake Pathfinder and Explorer Camp, as the sparks floated upward into the night sky, dozens of campers dedicated themselves to become missionaries. They wanted to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ to the ends of the earth.

They took up a special offering, raising enough to send two boxes of shoes to the poor children in the Philippines. Many churches and friends have given us shoes and toys for the Filipino kids, and I challenged these campers to help us pay the postage to send them.

After the offering came in, I thanked the kids. “Take your two arms and wrap them around yourself. Give yourself a great big hug, and imagine that it is coming from the 200 poor grateful kids, in rags, who will be receiving these gifts because of you!

DELTA LAKE BIBLE CAMP IN ROME, NY HAD US TO SPEAK 6 WKS. TO OVER 1,000 ADULTS & CHILDREN OF ALL AGES, CHALLENGING THEM TO BECOME MISSIONARIES BY GOING, GIVING & PRAYING.



**SHOE TALLY: GOAL:250 RECEIVED:210
SPONSORED KIDS TALLY:GOAL:150 PLEDGED:114**

**DO YOU HAVE A BACK-TO-SCHOOL PROJECT?
HERE ARE A FEW NEEDS
THAT WE HAVE AT BLC:**



- SCH. STORE: \$500
- ROOF&DORM \$3,500
- FILE CBNT(3): ~~\$60 PAID!~~
- SIDEWALK
- SECTIONS (33): \$20 EACH
- SCHOOLBUS: \$1,500 (X3)
- 5TH GRADE: \$3,500
- SOUTH DORM: \$25,000