# Report on Finances:

EXP: \$02,678 Family: \$00,669 Ministry: \$01,884 2008 Debt Paid: \$00,125 INC: \$02,678 Gifts: \$02,421 Hon'ium:\$00,237 Interest: \$00,020

BLC 2010 STATUS (Not Incl. Sponsorships): 2010 INCOME:\$32,462/EXPENSES:\$69,219 47% {-\$48,427: TOTAL OUTSTANDING} PAID DEBT PRINCIPLE LAST MONTH: \$125



THREE NEW BLC JEEPNEYS: NEED: \$30,000 RAISED: \$2,435



PICKUP:

GOAL: \$14,000 RAISED\$10,800



BLC CHILDREN'S EMERGENCY MEDICAL FUND

"A generous man will prosper; he who refreshes others will himself be refreshed". –Proverbs 11:25

BLC'S MEDICAL FUND IS AN ANSWER TO PRAYER FOR MANY FILIPINOS

### International BLC Sponsorships (801-BLC)

The BLC (*Barner Learning Center*) International Student 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 15, the fee is \$25 (P1250) per month.

Each Sponsorship covers the following: tuition, enrollment, books, registration, dental checkup, insurance, medical checkup, ID card, instructional materials, PTA & library & campus fees, school publications, graduation fee & gown, 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)

<u>PLEASE PRAY:</u> AS WE OPEN A DROP-OFF CENTER FOR STREET KIDS IN JULY, DAVAO CHRISTIANS WILL GIVE FOOD & CLOTHES.

PRAISE GOD!: THAT I RECEIVED MY DOCTOR OF MINISTRY DEGREE IN EDUCATION THIS MARCH!



AS BLC PRINCIPAL
AND DIRECTOR OF
PERSONNEL, ELVIE
INTRODUCES THE
TOPIC FOR WHICH A
PROSPECTIVE
TEACHER WILL
PERFORM A
DEMONSTRATION.





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\*PEPPER=Paul and Elvie's Prayer & Praise newslettER
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INTRODUCES THE MY DOCTORAL DISSERTATION WAS ON TOPIC FOR WHICH A BLC'S JUVENILE DELINQUENCY REDUCTION.

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BLCKIDS@YAHOO.COM www.barner.org

Field Address:

Rev. Paul, Elvie, PJ & Abigail Barner Barner Learning Center PO Box 82,224, Davao City 8000 PHILIPPINES

Support Address:

Christian Aid Mission (801-BLC)
PO Box 9037
Charlottesville, VA 22906 USA

#### PRAYING FOR MUSLIM AND CHRISTIAN POLITICAL CANDIDATES. ELECTIONS IN MAY.



MARK PREACHES A SERMON (WITH **INTERPRETER) FOR 20 GUESTS IN MY** HOSPITAL ROOM



YEARBOOK STAFF PICTURE TIME! (MINE IS THE EMPTY CHAIR, SINCE I TOOK THE PICTURE)



THE AUTISTIC SON OF MY ASSOCIATE PASTOR PRAYS FOR MY HEALING IN THE HOSPITAL



#### NO SCARS

"Tell the doctor about Jesus."

The voice of God was speaking to me as I lay in my hospital bed. For 5 months I had had continued gall stone attacks. This was the third and finally, I had my gall bladder removed.

Elve had already started packing our things to go back home after my release from the hospital. Yet a question gnawed at my conscience...did my doctor know Jesus? From past experience, I knew the doctor would make his one last visit before releasing me. "God, please put your words of testimony into my mouth," I prayed.

About an hour later in came my surgeon with Agdao work. that familiar, smiling face. Yet he was not alone. Behind him came the doctor-in-residence and 2 interns. Oh my. Not just one doctor, but four! Well, they needed to know Jesus too, so...

After giving his parting remarks, Doc turned to leave. "Sir..." I interjected, as he turned back toward me questioningly, "You asked me many questions, and now I have one question for you."

"Yes?" replied my doctor, with that same kindly smile. "Sir, I appreciate what you have done for me. Yet I really am curious to know something. You said that without surgery I could have died. Is that right?" He nodded his head yes.

"I am not afraid to die. Since I accepted Jesus into my heart, I will go to heaven when I die. What about you, Doc? If you died today, are you sure that you would go to heaven?" Yes, he was sure! Oh, how thrilled I was, to know that this special man would be in heaven some day!

"Doc, when I was given the sleeping gas, I was totally under your care. I noticed no gap in time between the point at which the gas was administered and when the operation was finished and I awoke in the operating room.

When I die, I know I can also trust God to bring me to heaven. He will remove me from this body and I will be in the "recovery room" of heaven."

"But there is a big difference, doctors. I carry three scars on my stomach and chest, from the surgery. In heaven, Jesus is the one who carries the scars, borne from the cross, to remove my sins!" What about you other men? Do you also have this same assurance of eternal life?"

#### A SAFE OASIS FRM THE STORM

"Welcome to Agdao!"

Even though we were in the inner-city, this, our 8th church plant since 1997, was meeting outside, under some coconut trees, in the small backvard of the bamboo home of one of the families of worshippers.

Brother Mark, an American from California, along with his wife MaryAnn (a Filipina fresh from Bible College) are being trained and assisted for this challenging work by a volunteer pastor, Rev. Claveria and his wife. Both couples have children enrolled at BLC, as well as do most of the 54 worshippers who were in attendance for this first worship service of the

Agdao is a section of Davao City with a dark history of crime. In fact, during the 1970's, many people compared Agdao with the troubled Latin American country of Nicaragua by calling Agdao 'Nicar-Adgao''. Shootings and beheadings by warring drug gangs and Communist rebels were common occurrences, appearing daily in the headlines of Davao city newspapers.

Soldiers and policemen clamped down on the area with force. However while the violence lessened, still the poverty remained. Today in 2010, Agdao children beg on street corners and shuffle from window to window of cars to request alms. Often these children YOU KNOW YOU ARE A FILIPINO IF... are killed by speeding motorists, and the scarce funds You have different sets of godparents for received from their begging are used, not for food, but to pay for drugs for themselves and their parents.

Often dirty bodies of children aged three and up sleep side-by-side along the sidewalks on pieces of cardboard after the businesses close their doors for the night. Some sleep in the cement pipes under bridges.

The Agdao church plant's goal will be to reach out to these down-and-outers, through lodging them in "OASIS", a drop-off center for street kids. Oasis is a ministry of the Father's House Facility for Children At-Risk. I began this corporation 4 years ago. God has now marvelously provided the funds to purchase the Oasis House through a sister ministry in Mexico, the 'Sparrow's Gate Mission".

God has a special plan for Davao City. By starting this church in the inner-city, the congregants will be challenged to bring in these street kids, house them at Oasis and school them at BLC.

Thank you for your prayers for Mark and Carlos and their wives as they shine the light of Jesus into the darkness of poverty in Agdao!

MARK'S NEW **AGDAO CHURCH** WILL WORSHIP **OUTSIDE** UNTIL THEY MOVE INTO THE "OASIS" STREET KID CENTER. HIS TRAINER IS A **FILIPINO** REVEREND.





JOE, OUR NEWEST PASTOR-IN-TRAINING, PREACHES AT **OUR PANAN-TONGAN** CHURCH PLANT. AN OREGONIAN, HE IS PART **AMERICAN** INDIAN.

when you were baptized, ordained, married, born, and dedicated.

#### **MISSIONS PROJECTS:**

Metal gym pillars: \$1,000 3 Jeepney-buses: \$30,000 Tables for I.Arts: \$650 435 desk-chairs: \$14 each 17 Wall fans: \$45 each H2O compressor:\$800 Teachers' mailboxes: \$360 Library computer/printer \$479 FAQ: (Frequently Asked Question):

Q: May I send gifts and cards to my

sponsored child?

A: Sure, but never send money, as it promotes greed and jealousy. Rather, earmark what you want the money to go toward purchasing, and we will buy the item for you.