

DEC Thank You! Report on Finances:

EXP: \$03,350
Family: \$00,777
Ministry: \$02,333
2008 Debt Paid: \$00,240

INC: \$03350
Gifts: \$03,113
Hon'ium: \$00,217
Interest: \$00,020

BLC 2010 STATUS (Not Incl. Sponsorships):
2010 INCOME: \$ 69,053/**EXPENSES:** \$93,496
74% {- \$35,998: TOTAL OUTSTANDING}
PAID DEBT PRINCIPLE LAST MONTH: \$240

Special Projects

THREE
NEW BLC JEEPNEYS:
NEED: \$30,000
RAISED: \$2,590



PICKUP: **GOAL: \$14,000**
RAISED \$12,400



**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)

PLEASE PRAY: FOR ENDURANCE FOR ALLEN, A FORMER BLC JANITOR, WHO IS COMING BACK TO DIG OUT OUR FLOODY CANAL BY HAND. IT WILL TAKE ONE YEAR.

PRAISE GOD!: THAT THE SUBDIVISION IS ALLOWING US TO PAINT THE NAME OF OUR SCHOOL ON THE ROADSIDE OF ITS OVERPASS.



PRAISE GOD! I CAME IN THIRD PLACE IN MY AGE CATEGORY FOR THE DAVAO PRESIDENT'S CUP TRIATHLON, AND ALSO THIRD PLACE IN BLC'S 8KM FOUNDATION DAY RACE! AFTER THE DECEMBER 42KM MARATHON, MY NEXT GOAL IS THE SINGAPORE 70.3 KM IRONMAN TRIATHLON.

BLC'S 2008 TYPHOON DEBT OF \$35,000 IS BEING PAID GRADUALLY AS FRIENDS LIKE YOU SPONSOR ME PER KM OR MILE IN RACES



-2010- Pepper*

**PEPPER=Paul and Elvie's Prayer & Praise newsletter*
Paul M. Barner Ministries
Philippine Church Planters
Vol 22 No 12



ELVIE VISITS DAVAO CHRISTIAN LEADERS FOUNDATION (DCL) TO HEAR ME PREACH THE GOSPEL TO BUSINESSMEN AND PASTORS FROM DAVAO CITY.

Email Address:
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

KIDS SING AT PASTOR'S APPRECIATION DAY



BLC KIDS SIT AMAZED WATCHING PUPPETS.



ATTEN---SHUN! BLC BOY SCOUTS AND GIRL SCOUTS PRACTICE DRILLS.



...AND ELVIE LEADS THEM



GOD DIRECTS...AND REDIRECTS

"Who will care for the babies?"

Often God touches the heart of a believer to leave his/her own country and become missionary here in Davao City. Mark and his wife Maryann are one such couple.

They began work with BLC and one of our church plants, helping desperate children from the streets, but they quickly ran into some snags in the process. They tried to partner with another ministry, "Sparrow's Gate", which caters to the needs of street children, but they found that their goals were not compatible. Sparrow's Gate wants to help older children on the streets, while Mark and Mary Ann want to help poor infants and young children.

After trying the mission for older children, it was more than Mary Ann could handle. Older children who lack discipline can get rude, shouting at and cursing adults...even running away. She gave it a valiant effort, but it was just too much.

After much prayer and soul searching, they parted ways with Sparrows Gate in order to help younger children. Thus, they will soon be moving out of the FHF house, since it was purchased by Sparrow's Gate funds.

They are still with Father's House Foundation for Street Children and Other Children at Risk (FHF), as well as our church and BLC, with a goal to help the homeless and destitute kids of Davao through both spiritual and physical aid. Thanks to FHF, the home purchased by Sparrow's Gate will still be put to its intended good use, and Mark will be pushing forward with their own work at the same time.

They want to develop their own facility, under the umbrella of the FHF and BLC. In the meantime, they continue to serve the needy children of Davao. Learning from their work with the poor families of their own church, they found that many young children are left at home alone during the day, sometimes as long as 12 hours, with no supervision. Poor parents must work or face starvation.

These families cannot afford childcare. Young children who lack supervision are often a danger to themselves. The meager pay the parents bring home is insufficient to feed their families, and it is the youngest -- especially infants, who suffer the most. With no money for formula and insufficient nutrition to support breast feeding, it is no wonder the Philippines faces such a high infant mortality rate. They now give free daytime child care for the kids of the working poor. focusing on kids from birth to 4 years of age. Praise God for these flexible missionaries!

This will allow the parents to focus on their work so that they can keep them fed and healthy.

LOVE FROM A FORMER BLC STUDENT'S SPONSOR

"Dear Rowena,"

I was so glad to receive your picture and letter. You are doing very well with your English. Keep up the good work. I'm happy to hear that you are now in High School. The time sure flies. You are all grown up now. I have kept all the photos that you sent me ☺

I am also excited that I am now sponsoring your sister, Analie. It will give me an opportunity to stay in touch with you.

I wish you great success in High School. Remember that God is always with you!

Love, Your Sponsor

BE PREPARED TO SAVE A LIFE

"Pastor, join us in swimming across the channel!"

Between Davao and Samal Island is the 1-mile-wide Davao Gulf, which is fed by the Pacific Ocean. Oh, how I wanted to join my fellow triathletes in this deep-water swim. But the day was full. BLC hosted, with Kiwanis, Lions, Boy Scouts & Davao Churches, an all-day CPR/BLS (Basic Life Support) Seminar.

Raindrops sprinkled on my windshield as I drove to the Red Cross to pick up our 2 instructors, with their practice dummies. Meanwhile my friends were "swimming in the rain" thru our corner of the Ocean.

"Myocardial infarction is the medical term for a heart attack" shared Timatai, our Red Cross rep, a few hours later. June (her assistant) joined in. "Cerebrovascular accident is a stroke."

Later, the 89 delegates to the seminar laughed as our BLC handyman tried kissing the dummy during the practice mouth-to-mouth resuscitation exercise.

Next week, as my buddy Stax, told me how the swim went, I clutched my CPR certificate, thinking, "It's ok. Now Davao is safer with 89 new rescuers!"

MISSIONS PROJECTS:



- Metal gym pillars: \$1,000
- 3 Jeepney-buses: \$30,000
- Tables for Ind. Arts: \$650
- 435 desk-chairs: \$14 each
- 17 Wall fans: \$45 each
- H2O compressor: \$800
- Teachers' mailboxes: \$360
- Library cmpr/printer \$479



ONGOING PROJECTS: EMPTYING THE CANAL & FILLING OUR FHF HOME FOR STREET KIDS.



DURING THE KIWANIS CLUB INDUCTION CEREMONY, I WAS INSTALLED AS PRESIDENT FOR 2011. PJ AND ABBY SANG A DUET AND MY CABINET (DOCTORS, LAWYERS, ETC.) PROMISED TO BACK UP MY PLANS TO HELP THE POOR CHILDREN OF DAVAO CITY.



OUR FIRST PROJECT WAS TO GIVE FREE SANDALS (DONATED BY THE KAISA CHINESE ASSOCIATION), & VITAMINS TO 200 POOR MUSLIMS. ALSO TO RESEARCH HOW TO GIVE A PROSTHESIS TO A TEENAGE AMPUTEE.

**YOU KNOW YOU ARE A FILIPINO IF...
*Your national president stays In office 6 years and cannot be re-elected.***

FAQ: (Frequently Asked Question):

Q: Can you send me the monthly letters and pictures of my sponsored child by internet instead of by snail mail?

A: Sure, as of this month. But we will need you to email your request to BLCKIDS@YAHOO.COM