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Highlights for 1st Quarter 2018

Hi guys! Here's our latest update. This covers the last quarter of 2017 to first quarter of 2018. Hope this will be an encouragement to you.

WMU Trauma Care and Counselling

November 2017 – WMU of LASSBC had a Trauma Care and Counselling at Olaer's retreat house. The house of Ptr. Vir and Doray has been opened for use in ministry work such as meetings and trainings.

The training covered the basics of trauma care during disasters. LASSBC as an association gives effort in making sure that the group is ready in any form of response especially that Region 8 is the usual path of typhoons and some other disasters like earthquake, flood, and landslides.





Bill Smith and Family Visited the Lighthouse

Still in November, Bill Smith, son of Missionary Tom Smith visited Ormoc and the Lighthouse nearly after 2 decades. It has been mixed emotions upon seeing an old friend who is dropping by for a vacation.

Bill is with his wife and family. It was nostalgic for him after taking a bite of Mayong's Burger. The only burger in town back in those times.



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Duljugan Visit

Before November ended, I visited Duljugan Baptist Church for their anniversary. The celebration was done in the evening and it was indeed a very nice fellowship together with our brothers in the Lord there who warmly welcomed us.



Medical Mission in Tongonan

Still in response to the earthquake happened in July, CPCSBC and APBAid sponsored medical mission in Tongonan, Ormoc, Leyte.

Nearly 300 patients were served during the said medical mission. Three doctors also participated and about 15 volunteers helped to make the medical mission a success.

People from other barangays were also benefited to this event. Thanks to the corporate effort of the doctors, volunteers and Lighthouse family.





The medical mission was also backed by DRM Training for barangays and Civil Society Organizations.

All these activities is also a part of the earthquake response sponsored by CPCSBC and APBAid where the Lighthouse became the implementing agency of the said projects.



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2 Tropical Depressions Hit Leyte

The trainings above have been sort of preparation and an immediate application of what had happened shortly afterward. Two tropical depressions affected Leyte in December which cause massive flooding a huge part of Leyte. Massive agricultural livelihood lost, and some lives claimed.



Baptisms

These tropical depressions haven't stopped the gospel in anyway. In fact, the gospel continued to prosper and new disciples emerged. People are getting baptized despite of these trials.





Since December 2017 up to date, Lighthouse-Ormoc alone baptized 3 new believers. Other churches also had their own baptisms.

Strengthening Our Discipleship Program

As a part of our discipleship program, we officially adopted E12. It is similar to G12 minus Pentecostalism. The program was specifically designed for conservative group of Baptists thus avoiding any damage in doctrinal stands and relationship issues and avoiding divisions.





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The program was well accepted by far. Praying that we will achieve deeper relationship in Christ as we dig in deeper with the studies of each lesson.

Kai-Tak Response

Kai-Tak is the international name of the tropical depression that hit Leyte in December killing 2 dozens of people and destroying a huge chunk of Agricultural lands. In line with this CPCSBC and APBAid sat down again for another round of disaster response. This time we will focus on the recovery of the farmers, helping their livelihood to get back to its feet.

The first response that we did is to conduct orientation and the basic of DRM. As part of the program, we also invited an agriculturist to conduct the basic training for Organic Farming.



Prayer Requests:

- 1. Pray for a Base Guitar of LCM-Guintigian.
- 2. Pray for a building for LCM-Manlilinao
- 3. Pray for building improvement for LCM churches: Tacloban, Margen, Merida, Mabato and Tongonan.

T-Shirts Available

I designed some T-shirts (available in US only) that you can checkout here: https://thedisciplers.com/product-category/t-shirt/

I design a t-shirt, and a US based company prints the shirts for me when someone orders. They also will handle the delivery. This will not only give you a way to share the gospel creatively, every T-shirt you purchase from my website is also supporting the ministry in Leyte.



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