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WIND OF THE SPIRIT MINISTRIES Newsletter

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“REPORTS FROM THE PHILIPPINES”

Philippine Report July 25, 2016

Greetings in the powerful name of Our Lord, Jesus Christ. The Team has just completed ten days in the Philippines ministering in various church settings. The focal point of this past week has been participation in the Bishop's Manila Episcopal Area [MEA] Convocation in Baguio City, located at the 5,000' elevation in beautiful mountains.

The Convocation was attended by 700+ pastors, deaconesses and church workers from the 12 Annual Conferences included in the MEA. The team was available for prayer ministry with various participants. The theme of the Convocation was “Methodist Family: Happy, Healthy and Holy.” I [Larry] spoke at the Wednesday evening plenary session on the subject of healing and wholeness, focusing on the “healthy” part of the theme. The workshop that followed gave opportunity for the attendees to pray with each other one on one. The presence of God was very real as the people shared their prayers with each other.

I also spoke on Thursday morning during the 6:00 a.m. devotional time on the subject of God's Grace and our Holiness. Both presentations were well received and I had the opportunity to pray with and minister to several who were present. Many of the pastors gave expressions of appreciation for the information and encouragement they desired for their ministries.

When the Convocation concluded at noon on Thursday, three of our team members - Donna, Connie and Gary, returned to Quezon City with Pastor David and Josie Sablan. I stayed with Bishop Juan for one more night in Baguio and then we spent Friday travelling down from the mountains and stopping along the way.

First we stopped at the Bible Translation headquarters in Baguio where we met with Bishop Arichia who is heading up the program of translating the UM-Hymnal into the Ilicano dialect. That meeting was one of pure joy as we had a great time of sharing, of laughter and enjoying the Bishop's great sense of hu-

mor. He is retired, 83 years of age and yet still going strong in the work of the Lord. Then we travelled on down the mountain to meet with a group of pastors, one of whom was celebrating his 49th birthday. Bishop Juan wanted to be sure to be there to congratulate him. He takes extra special effort to enter into things that are important in the lives of his pastors and their families. He is the energizer bunny multiplied by several batteries. We had lunch with about 12 pastors at this stop. All of them had been under Bishop Juan's leadership when he was Bishop of the Baguio Episcopal area. They had a great time of reunion around the lunch table.

That was followed by a continuation of the trip to San Fernando, Pampanga where he had made arrangements to dedicate a new car that had been purchased for one of his pastors. It was quite a ceremony as he used oil and water, splashing inside and outside the car - with motor running, prayers of dedication and singing of songs. We then went into a very large mall for afternoon eats and more picture taking. It was during this stop that I had opportunity to meet and minister to Maria Antonette, a first year seminary student. As we walked through the mall, she and I stopped and I led her through prayers of forgiveness for some who had wounded her by maligning her name and speaking falsely about her. She was able to forgive and went forward with a new sense of freedom and joy. At her request, she and I are now friends on Facebook.

On Saturday the Bishop, his wife and I went to the Wesleyan University In Canabatuan for a meeting with the Board of Trustees and a group of over 100 students and faculty who gathered to discuss issues that were raised at General Conference, especially the one on homosexuality. The Bishop took me to the gathering of students and said that it would be good if I would share some words of encouragement with them while he attended the Board of Trustees meeting. Surprise! Well, fortunately something had been said earlier that made me think this might possibly be happening, so the Lord had placed in my mind the Scripture from Hebrews 12 about keeping our eyes fixed on Jesus, dealing with keeping our main focus in the midst

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of all of life's issues and not get sidetracked from what we are to be about as disciples of Jesus. Many of the students expressed appreciation for that directive.

I met several of the college professors and Board of Trustees members. Some took my email in order to be in touch about the possibility of coming to their places for ministry. One is the lead doctor of a hospital where he expressed a desire that I lecture to some of the doctors and nurses who are in training. ... We retraced our steps and returned to Manila On the way, however, we were caught in the middle of a major storm with thunder, lightning and heavy downpour of rain. A traffic accident caused a major backup on the freeway for miles. Bishop's driver is a very astute and capable driver. It was my conviction that he had previously been a driver in the Indianapolis 500 for he certainly knew how to maneuver through the traffic and get us to where we were going without much delay. When we came upon the traffic backup caused by the accident miles on down the freeway, he simply pulled over into the shoulder between the guard rail and the right hand lane of traffic and sped on down the freeway, sandwiched between stalled traffic and guard rail. Ultimately we had to stop also and creep along right beside a very large truck that was loaded on two decks with very large hogs. We were surrounded by pounding rain on the roof of the car, thunder and lightning, and the squealing and snorting of hogs.

Ultimately we reached the residence and all of us dropped into bed for a good night's sleep. We had been on the road from 9:00 a.m. until after 6:00 p.m. We were all very tired. I had no trouble sleeping.

We arose early morning on the 24th to attend the 75th Founding Anniversary of the Kamuning UMC. I did not preach, but had opportunity to bring greetings to the gathered congregation. It was a great three hour celebration, beginning at 9:00 a.m. and concluding with a major meal that

was served to all who desired to stay after the celebration. I am guessing that over 400 people gathered for the event. Bishop Pedro Turio preached a dynamic sermon on unity in the body of Christ — a message for people who are having some divisions in the church over church leadership. There was much joy and love demonstrated among those in attendance.

The worship time concluded with many gathering outside on the front steps of the church. Seventy five pigeons [doves] were handed out to people there, me included, and after a prayer by Bishop Juan, we all released the doves that flew away en-masse — happy to be released. That was the first time I had ever been involved in something like that in all my years of ministry. It was a great conclusion to a great celebration.

Following the lunch, Bishop brought me back to the Microtell where I joined up with the others of our team who had attended worship with Pastor David Sablan at the St. John UMC, where we attended their 64th Anniversary Celebration on July 17.

While I was on the road with the Bishop, here in Quezon City Donna, Connie and Gary were getting things ready for the upcoming medical clinics.

Today, July 25, we are preparing to travel to Morong, Bataan and prepare for the medical clinic there tomorrow. We will be joined by Amivic Clark and Beatriz Chen who have conducted a medical clinic in Bohol during this past week. They will be with us for the medical clinics in Morong on Tuesday and Montalban on Thursday. It will be good to be together as a full team.

Thanks to all of you for keeping us in prayer. LLE

Reports: Aldersgate Renewal Ministries Conference

Jeremy: Joy and I had the great opportunity to attend Aldersgate for the first time this past week in Lexington Kentucky. It was a great experience. Colleen and Peg joined us from the WOSM office. Each of us would like to share a few of our personal highlights. The whole conference I was very aware of the presence and the fullness of God and I was thinking that I want to be entangled in the Holy Spirit. I was amazed by Bishop Swanson's message as well as by Bobby Cabot's. They were both filled with so much power and revelation. Bobby is an amazing speaker and we heard her mention Larry and Audrey about 5 times in her message, we felt proud! Aldersgate is an amazing opportunity to be around Spirit filled believers, receive good teaching and grow in the fire of God. We hope to return next year and count it as an honor to be associated with such a wonderful group of Spirit filled people. During the Communion on the last day the Lord touched me and I was crying before I knew I was. I literally felt water flowing

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down my cheeks and was thinking, "what is this?" It was then that I started to think about how hard the journey of the past 20 years of ministry in India has been. It has not been easy—very rewarding—but not easy. Many times we had no one to share our hardships with. The Lord was saying to my heart, I know. I am with you. It was a great comfort!

Joy: Thanks to Larry Eddings who really wanted us to experience something so wonderful beyond our imagination. In my innocence I was so excited to explore some new places in America. Each day was a new day for me. He blessed me so much beyond my expectation and I found him so real and I hungered to spend more time with him. I wanted to hold time back but it slipped each moment and left me searching for more and more. I pondered when one speaker spoke "faithfulness to God precedes fruitfulness to God." We can only give what we have. It's so real we need the infilling of the Holy Spirit in our life to give to others. If I have hate that's all I can give to others if the Lord fills us with his love then I can only love others. I learned so much words cannot express it. Each speaker was dynamic and moved in the Spirit I felt so proud and honored to be part of Wind of the Spirit and understand more about the Methodist movement. On Saturday I was praying after the service. I wanted someone to prophesy over me and as I sat and prayed alone I felt someone praying for me and start to prophesy. I was weeping. First I thought I am imagining or seeing a vision but when I opened my eyes this woman said, "For the last two days the lord put you in my heart and I was praying for you but today He gave me permission to speak to you. Then another woman came up and told me the same thing. Before I knew it there were three other ladies who came and hugged me and we had a great time together and became good friends. Gods ways are not my ways. As a team of four we had a wonderful and a blessed time.

Peg: What a blessing to be in the presence of Almighty God and among some of His special people. Excellent speakers, great workshops, good company. One highpoint for me was when Joy was led to minister to my niece's little girl regarding some emotional issues. Another was hearing about the ministry journey of Bobby Cabot. Another was the powerful prayer times. Soaking prayer in the morning, praise and worship complete with flags, banners, and dancers, lights and decorations and the altar calls in the evening where I felt the Holy Spirit's presence and power.

Colleen: I am praising God that I got to go to Aldersgate where I could leave all my cares behind and focus on God, Jesus and the Holy Spirit. Soaking prayer opened me and I spent 4 days worshipping and being blessed to overflowing.

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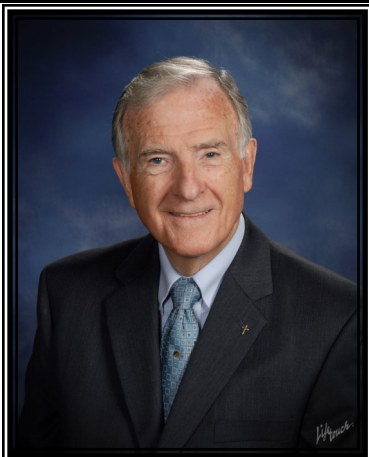
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AUGUST

1—Tavel to Hawaii for Prayer Seminar at Kailua UMC

5-7—Seminar: *“Led by the Spirit, a Prayer Revival Weekend.”*

17-20—Wind of the Spirit **“Journey Within”** Seminar on Healing of Emotional Hurts, Silverdale United Methodist Church.

SEPTEMBER

12—Jeremy and Joy Ellington return to India