

SURVEY THE PHILIPPINES

Pro 16:9 A man's heart deviseth his way: but the LORD directeth his steps.

Yes Sir, Lord! Now where exactly do I go and what exactly do I do?

When the Lord told Abe in Gen. 22 to sacrifice Isaac the third verse says that Abe rose up early in the morning and went to do what God told him to do. When Paul met the Lord on the road to Damascus, as soon as Paul was assured of whom it was speaking to him, Paul asked "What wilt thou have me to do?" It is always good practice when the Lord speaks to your heart to answer quickly with a "Yes Sir" and then go in search of the details. Thus, the text above...

This second trip to the Philippines was in search of the details of our new assignment. Thanks to the prayers of faithful friends and the generous giving of expenses by First Bible Church of Staten Is., NY...I am now more clear as to where and how my family is to minister when we arrive in PI in January 2012.



But I didn't just look around...much counsel was sought and given among many national pastors and leaders of existing Bible Institutes.

Prov 15:22 Without counsel purposes are disappointed: but in the multitude of counsellors they are established.

Also, much ministry was made available to me. I participated in two Bible giveaways for local pastors. (See Photo). More than 350 Pastors received the parallel KJV and the new Cebuano translation. This is the word for word Cebuano translation direct from the KJV over the course of the past 20 years.

Each pastor was given several Bibles, at least one parallel Bible and a Cebuano New Testament which they are waving with excitement in the photo.

This effort was headed up by Pastor Rueben Sulapas and other good pastors. As you can see by the photo the pastors were very thrilled to get good Bibles in their native language.



BALLOONS

I believe balloons are the best toy ever invented...they are cheap, harmless, many ways to play, they burst long before you are bored with them and they are completely biodegradable (as if that mattered). I use them a great deal in the ministry. I usually always have some in my back pocket and when given to a child the parent will always take a tract and the child will always give a smile. In the photo we stopped on the side of the road in the middle of Dole pineapple field to buy some hot corn on the cob. The first kid got a balloon and then they came running along with some of the parents. James, Mary Bethany's brother (24) is helping me with all the balloons. James will be working with us when we move our ministry to the PI.



In another photo I am using balloons to teach a youth camp. I am illustrating "Knowledge puffeth up". Pride, knowledge and education often serve to fill a person with hot air...thus the balloon gets bigger and bigger and the audience suffers from unbearable anxiety. Note the girls in the front row. I visited a large ministry that had never experienced public ministry. At the prospect of a local street meeting they could hardly be contained. We gave them all bright red "JESUS SAVES" and took them downtown in their hometown. Eight guys preached for the first time and all bugged the pastor about when they were going to do this again. It was wonderful...and the very thing I love to do most. The slight rain threatened to dampen our plans but prayer drove the clouds of doubt away and the Son shone through.



Thanks for your prayers...I traveled 30,000 miles via 10 flights, through 8 countries...and over the North Pole all in 30 days...whew, my head is still spinning and my body is trying to find out what time zone I am in now.



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