

Dear family in Cannon Beach,

Raquel and I are now back in Minnesota having thoroughly enjoyed our time with our Wycliffe family in Dallas for the past two months. We ended up being involved in a lot of activities including speaking to various groups on five occasions. We were also able to visit with many of our old friends from the Philippines, many more than we expected. And we thoroughly enjoyed getting to know and interacting with the students studying linguistics who also were staying in the dorm/guest-house with us there at the center. We have so much to be grateful for.

I could list many more highlights, but I better go on and mention what our immediate future plans are. For the next 5 weeks we plan to be back on our farmstead in central Minnesota. Besides enjoying my walks in the fields and woods, I hope to get my taxes done and a myriad of other misc. items that we need to take care of. Hopefully I will also have time to check the work of our translations teams in the Philippines. Our flight back to the Philippines is on April 25.

Once again thanks so much for being our partner and for your prayers and support.

This coming Sunday will be Palm Sunday. Once again I was blessed reading the Scripture passages found in the Revised Common Lectionary concerning this event in the life of our Lord. It shows how our Lord was praised by certain people and subsequently ridiculed by others. May we give Him the glory due Him as we remember what He did for us.

[Below I've inserted an encouraging email with pictures which we recently received from Jorge, one of our anak/sons and disciples in the Philippines. My comments are in brackets.]

Yours in His service,
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[Jorge wrote:]

“Pastor Ezar now has a new location of his reading group. Completo na ang iyang tulo ka reading group. Nakita ko man kang pastor ezar nga kugihan siya sa iyang mga reading groups, and I’m blessed sa iyang mga effort of taking care sa iyang mga ministry.”

[Translation:

“Pastor Ezar now has a new location with regard to his reading groups. He now has his three reading groups. I met up with Pastor Ezar and he is industrious/diligent with his reading groups, and I’m blessed with his efforts taking care of his ministries.”]

The picture below is the reading group of Pastor Ezar's new location. [Pastor Ezar is on far left and Jorge is sitting next to him.]





As usual, we fed and taught the children in each location.



[Above are the kids singing as they dance Hinneh mah tov umah naim shevet achim gam

yachad – Psalm 133 in Hebrew (“How good and pleasant it is when brothers live together in unity”), which Raquel and I have taught in many villages in the mountains of Bukidnon, Mindanao and Mindoro. And now it seems that Jorge is doing the same].

Salamat coach and ate.

[Translation: Thanks Coach and Older-Sister]

Yours,
Jorge

[Jorge was one of the young soccer kids on my team who is now with YWAM and whom we have help out the Manobo pastors for a couple of days every month. A couple of weeks before the W.B. Manobo dedication of the Bible (which we oversaw a little over a year ago) I encouraged the Manobo pastors to start up these Scripture reading groups throughout the mountain villages. Thanking the Lord that they are still happening, that His Word is being read in an understandable form in the mountains among the Manobo communities. Pray for these new disciples you see in these pictures, that they will continue to grow in Him.]