

SEPTEMBER 2010

“Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might...” - Ephesians 6:10

HIMAMAYLAN



2 YEAR ANNIVERSARY...

It seems like it has only been a couple of weeks, and at the same time like we have always been together, but come September 22nd Jen and I celebrate our 2 year Anniversary! We want to wholeheartedly thank all of you who have been praying for us over these past few years. We stand amazed at all the Lord has done!

CHURCH BAPTISM & PICNIC...

We enjoyed our 2nd annual church picnic and Baptism a few weeks back. About 100 of us loaded up in a jeep and sugar cane truck and headed down to the local beach. The weather was a bit rainy - but we figured it just meant the people got

sprinkled and dunked! In all about 30 people stepped up to be baptized and make a public confession of their faith in Jesus! Of the 30 there were about 15 youth that Bembem, the children's ministry leader, baptized! You can see the pictures from the Baptism on the back page of the newsletter.

NEW RADIO TOWER...

A dear brother and friend came to visit a few weeks back and brought with him a new antenna, laptop, and DC powered backup for the Radio station. The laptop and DC battery backup are to help with the VERY frequent brownouts we experience here - they will help keep the station running for hours during a brownout. The new antenna will give a little boost to the range of the radio signal. Along with installing the antenna we replaced the bamboo pole that was our 'radio tower' with a new 60' high piece of bamboo soaring off the top of our roof! We also met with the new mayor here in Himamaylan and he offered to help expedite the process of getting our Congressional Franchise. Thank you Jesus for favor with the local officials!

COUNTING THE COST...

We often take for granted the privilege of going to church on Sundays, but those who desire to follow and learn about Jesus in the 'Bukid' do so at a price... We hear stories every week about the accusations people make against those who come to church. One family who faithfully comes is constantly berated by relatives - telling them because they are 'Catholic' but going to a 'Baptist' church (*the general description here for any church that is not Catholic*), when they die their spirit will be confused and not know where to go. Another brother, shortly after stepping out to serve in the church, was held up in an armed robbery. One of the elders in the church, when he 1st began to step out to serve, had his house condemned and destroyed by a fallacious court order. Many have shared their desire to come to church, but hesitation because of the persecution they would receive. Please be praying for those who choose to boldly step out to grow in Jesus. They do so at a price - they count the cost and choose Jesus!



PRAYER REQUESTS

- The Bible Studies (*10 of them*) - for the Word to change lives
- The hearts of the people in the Bukid to be open to Jesus!
- Strength for those families who are standing for Jesus!
- The radio station - favor with the "franchise" - and NTC
- Our marriage - constantly grow closer to Jesus & each other
- Still praying for God to give us a 'Baby Hinchey'...
- Flexibility and humility - we would both be full of Jesus!

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