

## Reflection on Our Mission Trip to Philippines

*Luke 18:27 Jesus rep God, "what is impossible with men is possible with God". I thanked God I can go this mission trip after my leave application submitted one month ago was only approved on Friday 22 May '09. I learnt the importance of submitting to the authority above me. Read Hebrews 13:15-17. At mission trip I experienced personal breakthrough in the preaching God's word (my 1st time) at Daclapan home cell. I also witnessed brethren exercising their faith by stepping out to serve the Lord. It's all by His Grace and not human effort. Praise the Lord!*

Sis Sandy

*This mission trip I heard how Jimmy had been saved from an abandoned child, now a child of God and faithfully serving God. My heart went out to two little children standing at the market selling plastic bags and the Vigan City prisoners. I am so blessed. I must share with people about Jesus Christ. I want to follow & put to practice every one of his commands and obey his law.*

Sis Florence Goh

*Luke 18:16 "Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of God." On Saturday 30 May '09 in the outskirts of Cabugao, more than 200 hundred children came. Through all the 16 brethren, the love of Christ reached out & ministered to these children by singing songs of praise and worship, by storytelling of Noah's Ark, and colouring materials. Gifts of plastic folder, pencil cases, Gelo bags, candies, biscuits, food and soft drinks were given out much to the joy and excitement of the children and parents. Praise the Lord!*

Sis Cynthia

*Before I went for this mission trip, I didn't like to read the bible. No matter how my parents forced me to read the bible, I will not read the bible. But after this trip, I started to read the bible everyday and do my morning devotion daily. Seeing the unfortunate children, makes me think that I'm very fortunate to have my parents and able to go to school. I have decided to study hard for my studies. This mission trip taught me to be more sensible, mature, hardworking and learned how to rely on God.*

Sis Pei Jun

*Thank God I went for this mission trip. I have learnt so much from each and every team members' devotional sharing. Most importantly, I am touched by our team spirit. Praise the Lord for His presence was with us and everything went on smoothly.*

Sis Mei Chan

*This mission trip allows me to experience the God's wondrous ways and cunning ways of devil. We must not let off our guards when there is spiritual victory of joy as it is also opportunity for the devil to invade. I learned to be alert and watchful at all times.*

Bro Peter Tan

*The trip to Philippines had been a fruitful one. From the start, I was reluctant to commit myself to the Lord for the trip. I did not understand or foresee what the Lord can make use of me for the trip. I have neither singing or musical talent to contribute to the team. However, this trip had opened up my eyes to see many things and works that can only be moved by our God. "God does not call the equipped, but He equips the called." I am faithfully looking forward to another such trip.*

Bro Justyn

*On the first day of the trip I was shocked by the intensely busy schedule and the challenges God was asking us to embrace. But as the days passed, I was encouraged by the strong synergy in the team and touched by the growing presence of the holy spirit as we united in worship, shared testimonies, preached sermons and God's Word to children, youth, elderly and prisoners. Towards the end of the mission trip, we could sense an inner strength amongst us; I felt completely comforted by God's amazing grace and guidance. This trip has taught me many things, but the greatest change in my life now is a deeper desire to serve (whole heartedly) and a burning ambition to bless the poor with the Good News that Jesus is our and their Saviour.*

Bro James Browning



Bedoc Group

Children at Bedoc

Youth Service

Pastor's Youth Service

Justyn's Testimony

Mei Chan & Sandy

*GOD IS GOOD ALL THE TIME - That's our theme for this 9 days mission trip to Cabugao, Philippines. Indeed, our God is Good All the time. The Lord's favour was upon all of us during the trip. His spirit was hovering around us whenever we laid our footsteps. We saw in excess of 50 kgs of baggages passed through without additional charges and all baggage were checked in all the way to Laoag Domestic Airport. We were provided with free breakfast and free extra bedding for our accommodation. What's amazing is we ended up with a budget surplus which should not be the case. Brethren from as young as 13 years to 69 years were sharing their personal struggles and experiences with the Lord during the morning and night devotional sharing. I can only say what a joy to see brethren making a comeback, renewing their faith, drawing close to the Lord and establishing a pattern of devotional time in the last 9 days. All the brethren were exercising their areas of gifting as a body of Christ and the spirit of unity were so evident and whenever we laid our footsteps many young and old were touched by God's power. One unforgettable and moving scene was at Vigan Prison cell when we felt the power of the Holy Spirit were sweeping across the entire cell area touching the inmates and our brethrens as our Pastor David preached and knelt with all brethren to our God. Many were moved to tears and many responded to the altar call. It is Only by His Grace alone that we can serve Him - what an honour and privilege to be part of this mission trip. Our God is an Awesome God. Glory to God in the Highest! AMEN!*

Sis Lay Sim

*"God is good, all the time!" I agree! He has seen us through every step that we take and to minister to his people. He has taught me to do things with love and compassion for people. Depend on God always in everything and he will definitely do the rest! All Glory to God!*

Sis Grace Ang