

# THE Vincent FAMILY

YOUR MISSIONARIES TO THE PHILIPPINES

June – August 2024

Dear Praying and Giving Friends,

We are thrilled and excited to report on interesting events that have happened during the previous months. I was blessed to be able to teach classes in the Bible institute, especially on missions subjects, and I was able to be the host for the graduation ceremony. We have five Bible students from our church, and we personally helped three of them. We are excited for the two men who will be graduating this year.

May is also our Mothers' Month, and we celebrated Mother's Day, which Czarinna and other church workers helped to prepare for and host. We are blessed to be able to minister to more than 100 women, and around 75 came back for the fellowship in the afternoon. Our women's ministry is growing. We have now started a weekly Bible study, which my wife and the assistant pastor's wife are teaching.

One of the most awaited events is our Youth Camp. We were so blessed this year to be able to bring the most youth ever. Harvest Baptist Church was a great instrument to sponsor us and help with the youths' registration, food, and transportation needs. We were able to bring around 200 people, including the workers. This Youth Camp focuses on training youth according to their interests and abilities that they can use for different church ministries. I was able to teach on missiology for those who are interested in missions. It was a blessing to see the youth having the heart for and being eager to learn about missions. I did a promotion that one of them will have the chance to process a free passport if his/her name was picked in a raffle. At the end of the camp, we were able to baptize 16 visitors, and, by God's grace, most of them are now getting involved in the ministry. Praise the Lord!

While we were at the camp, we heard the news that the Kanlaon Volcano had erupted (that's the same volcano on our old prayer card). We were down south, so we never experienced the aftermath; but some families of our youths went to evacuation centers. Ashfall has been experienced in La Castellana. It has been raining, too, so a few days after, volcanic mudflows were reported in the northern part of town. Up till now, the volcano has stayed on Level 2 warning, which means it is still in a stage of "unrest," with continuous minor quakes and emissions of sulfur dioxide. The volcanologists keep monitoring the volcano and have advised residents to be vigilant since eruption is still possible anytime.

Just two weeks after camp, we joined a Music Camp where kids and adults participate. Czarinna joined with the ukulele to accompany Edward, but then, I guess Edward was not ready yet. 😊 It was a one-week event, and at the end of camp, all participants had their music recitals. It was a blessing to see the kids and youth of our church playing different instruments. Some of them have been playing the violin in church for a year already.

Fathers are a great blessing in our church. This June, we celebrated Fathers' Month, and our faithful fathers were able to serve in their respective ministries. It is our goal to mold them and train them in serving God and the church. One highlight of the event was our fathers singing specials, which gave all of us some nerves there!

To end this month, another big event was done, our yearly Vacation Bible School. Every morning, we would go out and pick up kids from different areas. We were able to bring almost 180 kids for this five-day-event. We were so blessed to pick up kids from two different



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areas; our truck is truly a blessing in this ministry for driving on the rough dirt roads. Czarinna was able to bring first-timer kids from our Saturday extension class. They belong to the poor of the poorest community, and seeing them enjoy VBS filled our hearts with joy. For the final day, kids didn't hesitate to go to the altar and accept Jesus as their Saviour.

**Please continue to pray for:**

- Church building construction.
- MBBC Basketball League.
- Musical instruments for the orchestra.
- Bible students / new students.

Fellow citizens with the saints, and of the household of God,

The image shows two handwritten signatures in black ink. The signature on the left is 'Ian Vincent' and the signature on the right is 'Czarinna Vincent'. Both are written in a cursive, flowing style.

Ian and Czarinna Vincent