

# MISSIONARY UPDATE

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## LIVES SAVED BY GOD'S AMAZING GRACE & TRANSFORMED FOR HIS GLORY

On my right is Christy, a beloved disciple in the Lord. She was one of my working students at the university in Dumaguete, Philippines where I worked before. She is the only fruit, as of now from the underground/hidden Bible study me and my former pastor held weekly for more than a year in that chaotic, atheistic institution.

I praise and glorify God every time for how the Lord had saved her, how she firmly stand in her faith before her unbelieving family, friends and co-workers, and how she matured in her walk in Christ. She came for a missions exposure trip along with her pastor and 4 other church workers of His Life Ministries, Philippines on July 5 - 16, 2024.

We have both witnessed how God graciously saved us, how the Holy Spirit is working for our sanctification and life's transformation so we can be a witness of the saving work of Christ to others may it be in the Philippines, in Thailand or in any country God may bring us.



We are grateful to God for the 13 students and 1 parent who joined our Sunday fellowship on the 14th of July. We did the Alpha Course in Thai and in English. We ate sumptuous lunch together. The fellowship was greatly encouraging for all of us.

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The two Filipinos (left photo) from the visiting team led our singing of songs to the Lord. Cezar, the man on the right is going to help us for August - September session.

Two groups of students (right and below photos) were learning the evangelistic Alpha course which seeks to introduce the basics of Christian faith through a series of talks and discussion.



## Prayer Requests:

1. Please pray that the Holy Spirit will continuously work in the hearts of our students convicting them of their sinfulness eventually leading them to repentance and a personal relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ.
2. Pray that God will send us long term and short term missionaries both native and non-native English speakers committed to work in expanding His kingdom.
3. Pray that God will continuously draw people to study English with us not just for one session but for many sessions so that they will keep hearing the Scripture in our classes.
4. Pray that God will provide for all our needs -- spiritual, mental, physical and financial.

# LIVES Saved by HIS Amazing Grace & Transformed for HIS Glory

God has given me countless job opportunities since I graduated college in October 1998. One of my experiences, was working as a grade school principal in one of the universities in Dumaguete City, Philippines. It is where I met Christy Yumul along with many other students who applied for work scholarship. I had eight working students and ten professional licensed teachers under my care and supervision in my department. In September 2010, I suggested to our local church pastor that we conduct a weekly Bible study in my department concealed as “team building” anxious that the university’s top admin would fire me had they known we were preaching the gospel in a blatantly atheistic environment. My proposed “team building” schedules were approved by the university president. However, late 2011 God exposed the real conditions of the hearts of the attendees that three of the teachers heavily involved in cults accused me of proselytizing them. Due to lack of proof, I wasn’t dismissed but I opted to resign in April 2012 because deep in my heart affirmed by the Scripture I was sure my savior is calling me to another phase of my journey with Him. Christy lived with my family for two more years after I resigned being nurtured in His Words and going to church fellowships at least three times a week.

In 2018, a year after God brought me to be a part of Santisuk Ministries through BSOP, Christy called and told me the great news -- an answer to my prayers -- that she had a meeting with her family telling them she is a believer and follower of Jesus Christ. She made it clear with them that she’s no longer going to the Roman Catholic church with them nor be a part with all the traditions the RCs are doing. We may be apart for thousands of miles but thank God for the availability of technology, I am able to continuously teach, admonish, encourage and pray with and for her. Praise God for the unexpected blessing of reuniting us even for a short time here in Bangkok on July 5 - 16. She is now actively involved in the various ministries of His Life Ministries, Dumaguete City, Philippines. Please pray for her that God will use her mightily in His kingdom, and that God will provide all her needs.

