

WEATHER OUTLOOK

Today's temperature: 28°C; 82°F; Real Feel: 31°C/88°F; 94% humidity. Rain, rain, and more rain; 1 sunny day last week; massive floods and loss of life in some areas...it's rainy season!

PRAYER UPLOOK

Praise

1. For a good beginning with first Filipino VOICE Director, *Kuya Jess*; strong start of new school year with additional churches.
2. For successful and profitable In-Service Training seminars with Judy Wilcox; good results incl. teachers' Bible Study to begin soon!
3. For publishing of Humility & Diligence for 4th year high school and a 3rd year high school one nearing the finish line—15 of 16 modules!
4. For wonderful reports of students being saved, baptized, and brought into partnering churches.



Prayer

1. That Kuya Jess will have God's wisdom as he leads and that all of us VOICE staff members will serve whole-heartedly.
2. That God will provide an easier access (according to His will) into the schools for accelerated expansion.
3. That former partner churches will continue/return and newly trained churches will be able to begin this school year; the volunteer Biblical values teachers will truly be salt and light and attract many to Christ.
4. That Laura's project "The Forbidden Book" will move ahead; a decision by a publisher should come by the end of August.



SEND WebSite: www.send.org
Personal WebSite:
<http://bonneyandhaynes.homestead.com>

SEND International of Canada
RR#5, 1-22423 Jefferies Road
Komoka, ON N0L 1R0

SEND International
P.O. Box 513
Farmington, MI 48332

PACIFIC ISLAND JOURNAL

Year 34, Issue #2, August 1, 2011
Personal Prayer Letter

Miss Laura Bonney
Miss Ruth Haynes
QCCPO Box 1415
1154 Quezon City, MM
PHILIPPINES
Phone: 011-632-926-1914
E-mail: (Laura) lbonney2@gmail.com
(Ruth) ruthlhaynes@gmail.com



www.send.org

<http://bonneyandhaynes.homestead.com>

First Filipino VOICE Director

With mixed emotions, we bade farewell to Jake and Lillian Leyenaar as they returned to Canada. Their wise and selfless service during the past four years was greatly used of God to establish VOICE and see the number of partnering churches grow from 33 to



July 11, 2011, Jake & Lillian Leyenaar with wall hanging from VOICE Staff & Board of Trustees at their farewell party.

231, seven times larger!! However, it was also with great joy on May 1, 2011, to witness a "dream" (from the very beginning) become reality when the leadership of VOICE transferred to a Filipino, Mr. Jess Espina. "Kuya" Jess (with his lovely wife, Janet, and three children, Jem, Ian, and Charissa) was clearly prepared by the Lord for VOICE leadership. He comes from a business background, is a "whiz" at computers/software/technology, and has a heart for the Lord and the lost. He brings with him a wide network of friends/connections, oodles of energetic new ideas (including techie ones!), and lots of humor. Praise God with us for His gift to VOICE and pray for God's strength/direction for Jess and all of us.



Current VOICE Staff: Lot, Roselyn, Ruth, Laura, Bevs; (Front) Tony, Jess



May 7/11 – Rescued from my suitcase by Ate Gina and her family.

ERNIE'S CORNER

Knock, knock.
Who's there?
Justin.
Justin who?
Just an old friend, Ernie here.

The VOICE staff have had lots of trips and travel but never any room for me. And Ate Laura and Ate Ruth have had lots of visitors, but never any time for me. I have been here in the suitcase so long I thought I was in a coma. Have you heard me snoring? Ate Gina's cute girls asked for me though and I got to see their sweet faces/smiles and the light of day again! School started up here again in June. I dreamed I had to go to the Principal. She asked me, *Ernie, if you found 200 pesos in your right pocket and three hundred pesos in your left pocket, what would you have?* I respectfully answered her, *Ma'am, I'd have somebody else's pants on.* Hope you are having an exciting summer! Until next time.

Ernie's M

POTENTIAL EXPLOSIVE EXPANSION?

Our Director, Jess, and Promotions Manager, Tony, attended the Philippine Council of Evangelical Churches (PCEC) Assembly during which the Philippine President Benigno Aquino III was a guest speaker. While he was there, the PCEC Director offered President Aquino four programs to help him accomplish his government's mandate of fighting against the culture of corruption...and one of them (a total surprise to VOICE) was the provision of volunteers from Protestant churches to teach moral values in all the public schools! The President accepted his offer with thanks...but as of yet, we're not sure what that really means! Our prayer is that the President will use his influence to encourage nation-wide acceptance by schools, thus greatly facilitating the tedious task of securing permits. Pray with us for God's will to be done.

RETROSPECT

- Mar. 27- Visited partner church & celebrated Ate Letty's birthday; made video
- Mar. 29 greetings for Pastor friends, the Boyds, as they retire; staff met incoming Director Jess Espina/wife; signed MOU for free evangelistic tracts.
- Mar. 30- VOICE received tax exemption status!; Laura & a pastor visited Balara sch.
- Apr. 01 for permits; VOICE In Prayer mtg & early birthday celebration for Laura.
- Apr. 05- Laura took bus to Baguio City for 3 days of visiting churches, Department of
- Apr. 09 Education offices, with birthday celebration on the side; Lucasi family visited & celebrated 2 birthdays; training at Alliance, Cubao, Quezon City.
- Apr. 12- Belated birthday party for Laura with fellow missionaries; Humility &
- Apr. 14 Diligence for 4th year high school off the press!
- Apr. 16 130+ delegates/33 churches at Lamplighter Trg, Grace Christian College.
- Apr. 20 Lunch mtg. w/ Dept. of Ed. Values head and Dr. Tan of Grace Christian Col.
- Apr. 26- Hosted "last of the Mohegans" SEND Philippine members—6 of us in all;
- Apr. 29 staff "thank-you" for "Kuya Jake" on last day as VOICE Director.
- May 02- VOICE Welcome for Judy W; Tagaytay seminar for Grace Christian College
- May 07 educators / associates; installation for Jess Espina, new VOICE Dir.; Values volunteer tchrs Sem. in Marikina; Gina, former helper, and family visited.
- May 10- 70 teachers from 35 public schools attended Seminar in Malabon City;
- May 17 wedding of former SS student during Gapan ministry (1993-1995); four Judy W Seminars in northern areas of Baguio City and Mountain Province.
- May 19- Annual Mtg & Board of Trustees mtg for VOICE Phils; VOICE staff mtg.,
- May 21 Judy W Seminar at L&L Foundation; visit from Lester, our helper's nephew.
- May 22- Ruth and Laura to Baguio, then to Bontoc, Mountain Prov. for seminar for
- Jan. 06 values vol. tchrs; last seminars (Negros Occidental & Manila) for Judy W, returned home to Canada—thanks, Judy!; vacation in Baguio City w/Uschi.
- Jan. 08- Belated b'day party for Sharon, our helper, Teacher Convergences in
- Jan. 14 Batangas and Metro Manila; meal with fellow missionaries, Uschi & Jurene.
- Jan. 18- Basic Training seminar at Quezon City church; double b'day party for Edith
- Jan. 19 (former VOICE cleaner) and family; visited potential partner church.
- Jan. 24- Joint b'day party for Baby (former helper) and Brendalyn; repair of roof
- Jan. 30 leaks; VOICE new partner church visit and lunch with volunteers; time with friends Lorrie & Joke; Laura made courtesy calls to 2 schools with pastors; SEND farewell for Jake & Lillian in our home.
- Jul. 01- Visited with Violet; b'day party for Joanne S. at Nieves home; visit with
- Jul. 15 Ugandan doctor on study leave here; VOICE farewell for Leyenaars, early AM trip to airport—"bye for now"; visited values class with Dr. Tan for NT distribution; quick trip to LaUnion & Baguio for Dept. of Ed. Permits
- Jul. 17- Trg. sem. in Novaliches; VOICE lunch visit with Joanne S; Laura and pastors
- Jul. 28 made courtesy calls on 2 Muntinlupa sch; visited w/Carol L. and Joke & Lynn; joined Dr. Tan at High School Bible Values Recognition Day.