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"to preach the gospel in the regions beyond you, and not to boast in another man's sphere of accomplishments" ~ II Cor. 10:16

The President's Report

It is with great pleasure that we submit our report on what's happening at Asian Christian University (ACU) and at Christ's Happy Childhaven (CHC). The Lord has been so loving and He has been blessing us tremendously for all these years.

Evangelism

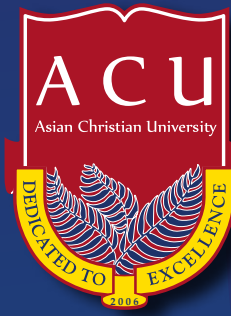
In the field of Evangelism, beginning in the year 2004, ACU, through the missionaries, faculty and student-preachers have baptized 3,275 souls from different areas of the Philippines. We have established and/or helped establish 51 congregations in the Philippines. With the partnership of the churches of Christ in Pangasinan and their preachers and leaders, we have planted congregations in each and every town and city of the Province of Pangasinan. What started to be a 15-year plan in 2010 came into fruition and fulfillment in just 10 years because of the collaboration of the churches of Christ in Pangasinan and ACU. Together we conducted 11 medical and evangelism missions resulting in 15 established congregations and 1,578 baptisms. These congregations are locally supported by our Filipino brethren. Some of them are now self-supporting and have become indigenous congregations.

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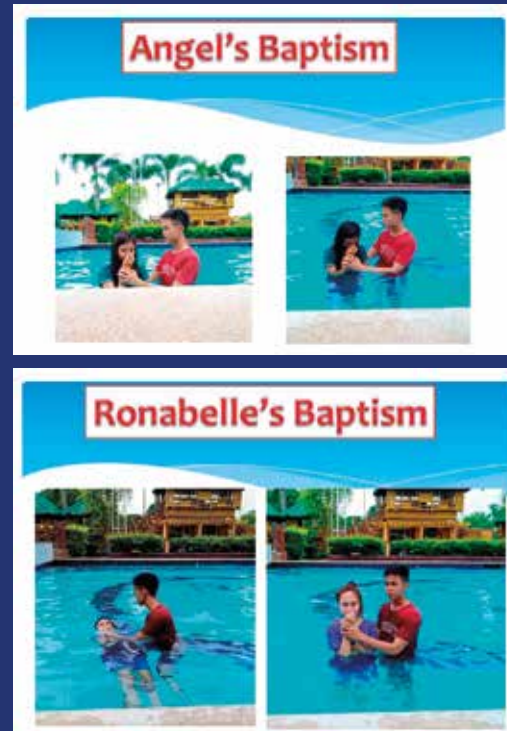
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"...See, I have set before you an open door, and no one can shut it..." Rev. 3:8



Asian Christian University

ACU Alumni Outreach Results in Baptisms



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The President's Report Training Gospel Preachers

We are happy to report that since 2010, we have trained and graduated 114 gospel preachers. Four of these earned a Master's of Theology degree, 35 graduated Bachelor of Theology degrees, and 52 completed an Associate in Theology degree. Eighty to ninety percent of our graduates are involved in full-time ministry, while the rest are working as part-time ministers.

Our graduates are so in demand by the congregations, that even before they have finished their studies, they are already being hired by the churches of Christ. An elder of a local congregation once told me, "We will not hire any minister, except those that graduated from ACU."

Currently, we have 24 full-time students. Two

are currently enrolled in the Masters' program, five are third year students, seven are sophomores, and ten are freshmen. We are training them not just to become gospel preachers, but EFFECTIVE GOSPEL PREACHERS. We are educating preachers who are dedicated to their work, knowledgeable in the scriptures, and are able to compete with other professions. Our educational program was validated when three of our alumni took the government licensure examination for professional teachers and they did not just pass; they passed with flying colors. Their combined average score was 84.5% - a high score considering the top student garnered an average of 89%.

Our students are not just classroom students. We consider them to be student-preachers, as all of them are assigned in different congregations here in the provinces of Pangasinan, Tarlac, and La Union. So high is the academic standard set by ACU, that any prospective student who is not dedicated to study are choosing other schools which are not strict about their moral and academic performance.

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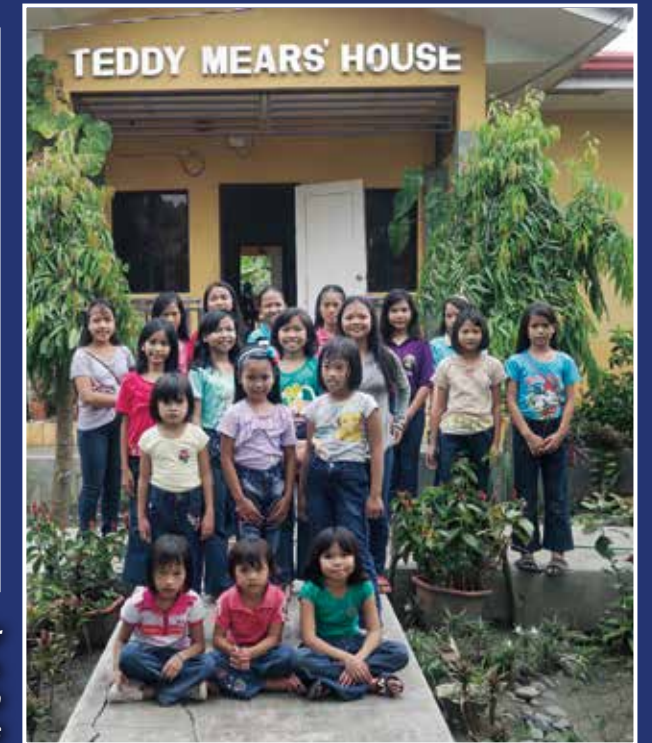
Christ's Happy Childhaven

CHC Girls Prepare for Move to New Home



Girls and house parents packed for moving to new house on girls' campus

Girls exit the Teddy Mears House for their new home on the girls' campus. The Teddy Mears House will become the second boys' house on the boys' campus



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The President's Report Training the Trainers

A high moral and academic standard could only be achieved if the faculty and staff also have high moral standards and are extraordinary in academic biblical standards. Our faculty, are all morally and academically qualified. So rigorous is our criteria to become a faculty member that not all who indicate their desire to teach at ACU are readily accepted. We had to refuse many applications even if they offered themselves for free, especially if there is a doubt about their moral uprightness and doctrinal soundness.

Our Filipino faculty are composed of Bible teachers who have finished at least Master's Degree in Theology, while our American faculty, are either Doctorate Degree holders or Masters' Degree holders who got their credentials from reputable brotherhood Bible schools and Universities.

We required our Filipino faculty them to enroll in secular educational courses so they can learn new teaching techniques, thereby making them more effective teachers in the classrooms. Our faculty are not only academically qualified to teach, they are also serving congregations as ministers and preachers. We train our students not only inside the classroom, but we also train them in actual ministry. This platform would ensure that our classroom interactions are relevant, applicable, and suitable to actual ministry because the teachers and the students are together in serving the congregations.

We also required our support staff to take short courses which are applicable to their line of work for the University. For our Dieticians, we required them to enroll in "Food Preparation." For our Maintenance Department, we required them to take courses in Practical Electricity, Basic Carpentry, and we are planning to enroll them in "Basic Refrigeration and Air-conditioning."

~ Junas

(To be continued in the October Newsletter)