

To all our beloved Partners in the ministry of the gospel,

Greetings brethren in the Lord.

It's been more than a year since the new leadership of Sola Gratia took over. Before it was led by Pastor Nonilo Sanchez and now, as he recognize the need to train the new leadership, he distributed the leadership to five, Pastor Shareluck Elbanbuena, Pastor Hywel Llesis, Pastor Larry Prieto, Pastor Ruben Castrence, and Pastor Amiel Ayon. We asked you to pray for us – so we continue in the grace leading the organization. And the Lord is so good in sustaining us up to this point.

After a year of getting the feel and seeing the ministry first hand it so encouraging that we walk not by might nor by power but by the Spirit of the Lord. As of now we are leading 22 missionaries with 3 about to finish the Church Planting Initiative (a five-year program for Church Planters not under Sola Gratia) on August 2019, and with our desire to extend the CPI to 6 more missionaries beginning this July 2019 , we are all the more on our knees to depend on the God's strength. Truly in the Lord we depend as we support missionaries under Sola Gratia with an average of PhP7,000.00 (around \$150) per month, we also commit ourselves to help churches and Pastor with our CPI program, for them to stand and continue to preach the gospel as they experience persecution (like threatening them of cutting the support allowance, displacing them from pastorate) from their group after embracing and teaching the truth of the Gospel of Grace. This is a heart-breaking scenario – especially among Christians because we are called to serve one Lord and to proclaim one Gospel – the gospel of Grace of the Lord Jesus Christ. So we help them for five years, giving them a monthly allowance of PhP5,000.00 (around \$100), a motorcycle as their service, and a staggered fund to amount PhP150,000.00 (around \$3,000) for the Church building project. This August, 2019 we have 3 missionaries who will finish the program. By the grace of God we were able to accomplish what we committed to do. Please pray for us because we will venture again with this program extending it to 6 missionaries.

These missionaries we wanted to help, heard about the teaching of the Gospel of Grace through our Mobile School of Theology – where we go to 10 or more missionaries, who group themselves as they are willing to learn more of the Word of God. Most of them do not have a privilege to go to formal seminary training, so they serve with passion but desiring to be in-depth to the learning of the scriptures. So we come and train them, giving them the 9-course theology, one week per month each theology course. When they comply all the 9 course they graduate during the August Pastors' Conference, which we are doing annually. After the learning they cannot keep it to themselves, so they teach and spread the message – but the very Christian organization they are in is giving them the hard time. So we ask you to pray for brotherly love that is rooted in the truth of the Gospel to prevail – and we know by God's grace it will – so we do not loose heart.

Also, by the grace of the Lord, we have seminary as part of the ministry – one in our main office and satellite missionary which is around 170mi from the main office, and now a seminary among the tribes in South Cotabato, we called it Inter-tribal Bible Institute, which opened this January 2019. We are also praying for another Seminary in Bulacan, that is in Luzon, that will open on September 2019.

We believe we have these ministries as the Lord directs us and according to the His grace, He provides as the needs arise.

Please, Keep on praying for us. Pray that we will grow trusting in the Lord.

in Christ,

Pastor Nilo Sanchez with Pastor Amiel Ayon