

# JOWiLS' NEWS ON-LiNE

BaLbutan's Ministry Update

Coron, Palawan

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## PRAISE THE LORD WITH US . . .

- the six Freshmen youth from Coron passed their **Basic Bible Training** and now will proceed as **Sophomores** this school year at **New Tribes School of Missions (NTSM)**.
- **another two male youth still from Coron** are now enrolled at NTSM as **Freshmen**.
- **Jinggoy Bernal** and **James Caabay** just graduated at **NTSM** and this year, these new missionaries will be assigned to the **Subanen tribe** in Mindanao, and **Aeta tribe** in Luzon respectively.
- for the **eleven believers baptized recently**. They came from **three churches** that we have been ministering to.
- for a **new kitchen** – it's a multi-purpose good for conducting classes and fellowships.

## PRAYER CONCERNS:

- ❖ for the **Discipleship students continuing fervor in studying His Word** – so they too can effectively minister to their respective churches and reach especially the lost ones.
- ❖ for God to sustain **Wilson and Joanne's health**.
- ❖ for **wisdom, provisions and perseverance** to finish for the **Eight Coron Youth** who are **presently studying at NTSM**.
- ❖ for the Lord to choose **prayer and especially financial partners for Jinggoy and James (new missionaries)** as they first step their foot in their first mission field assignments this year.
- ❖ for the Lord to use **new financial partners for us** since others already had quit.
- ❖ for the Lord's timing to provide us a **new laptop** since our team laptop is already six years old and eventually expiring. This is a **needed tool for our discipleship lessons translation and production**.

*Finally, "...grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ...in all my prayers for all of you, (we) always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now..."*

**THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR FAITHFUL PRAYERS ANG GIVING.**

## Hello Ministry Partners,

Greetings from Coron, Palawan!

It's been several months now after our previous newsletter.

Now, please sit for a while and read what God has done in and thru us in those previous months here in the mission field.

### **WILSON's HEALTH UPDATE**

It took him almost a five-month medication from that not-so-ordinary urinary infection. But sadly, with only little improvement on his health.

We went back to his former Urologist last May, and was diagnosed as having a prostate problem instead. Presently, he was prescribed to take a vitamin to help in his prostate problem.

### **ASIA LEADERSHIP FORUM-April**

Last April 23-26, 2024, God has given us the privilege to join the Asia Leadership Forum in Chiangmai, Thailand. This forum gave Wilson an expanded knowledge about the leadership role he is filling in as one of the NTMPI board.

Praising God for giving us a "bonus," we were able to glance the beauty of Singapore (during the layover) and Thailand in this said trip.

### **MARANATHA BAPTIST CHURCH-BACOLOD CORON MISSIONS EXPOSURE – June 24-July 2, 2024**

We are so happy that finally Joanne's home church, Maranatha, has sent their Young Adults to have a Missions exposure in our mission field. On the 1<sup>st</sup> day, they conducted a Dental Mission headed by Dra. Mhyrr Octavio with the Octadent Clinic-Bacolod. On the following days, other Young Adults of Maranatha conducted Vacation Bible School (VBS) and Discipleship in two church locations namely Malawig and Minanga churches.

Their realizations are, 'now that we had experienced life in the mission field even in a short while, we can now relate how missionaries live and do God's work in good and in tough times.' After the actual missions exposure, it's a pleasure to see and experience breathtaking views of the mountains and the seas of an awesome God who made all of these. What a mighty God we truly serve!

Your missionaries in Coron,

**Pastor Wilson & Joanne Grace Balbutan**

## BALBUTAN'S MINISTRY PHOTOS



CORON YOUTH WHO ARE STUDYING AT THE NEW TRIBES SCHOOL OF MISSIONS. RECENTLY, WE HAD FELLOWSHIP WITH THEM WHEN THEY WENT HOME FOR SCHOOL BREAK.



FELLOWSHIPING IN OUR NEW KITCHEN WITH OTHER NTSM STUDENTS. IT'S A COOL PLACE FOR GATHERINGS.



NEW TRIBES BOARD LEADERS WITH THEIR WIVES -HEADING TO CHIANGMAI, THAILAND (April 2024)



ATTENDING THE ASIA LEADERSHIP FORUM. WITH US ARE EXPATS CO-WORKERS ALSO SERVING THE LORD FROM DIFFERENT PARTS OF ASIA.



NEW NTM MISSIONARY, JAMES CAABAY, FROM CORON, PALAWAN



NEW NTM MISSIONARY, JINGGOY BERNAL, FROM CORON, PALAWAN



PTR. WILSON HAD ONE-ON-ONE INTERVIEW WITH CANDIDATES FOR BAPTISM. MEN AT THE BACK ARE HIS STUDENTS IN DISCIPLESHIP. THEY KEENLY LISTENED TO THEIR MENTOR HOW HE PERFORMS THE BAPTISM CLASS.



THESE ARE THE NEWLY BAPTIZED. THEY CAME FROM THREE CHURCHES. (Two are not in photo)



DENTAL MISSION IN CORON HEADED BY DR.MHYRR OCTAVIO WITH THE OCTADENT TEAM



WELCOME TO CORON MARANATHA MISSIONS EXPOSURE TEAM