

PPCOC MISSIONS NEWSLETTER

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Getting to know PPCOC Missions Outreach

INTRODUCTION

Welcome to the inaugural issue of the quarterly PPCOC Missions Newsletter. Through this newsletter, you will get to know and be updated on the mission fields that the church is involved in, read reports from the mission workers in these fields as well as reports of our short-term mission trips and from SIBI.

For this issue, we will re-visit how the work in Tuao, Philippines was started and in subsequent issues, we will cover all the other mission areas that PPCOC has partnerships and/or linkages with.

To God be the glory!

Peter Lim
Overseeing elder for Missions

Did You Know?

- PPCOC has a Mission Handbook that covers the mission policy, partnerships, mission workers support guidelines, short-term mission trips planning and funding.
- Missions have always been part of PPCOC ever since the church was started in the 1960s. Our first 2 mission fields were Malaysia and Indonesia.
- The first mission trip involving a large group of youths from PP was in 2006 when the team went to Tuao, Philippines.

“Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit...”
Mt. 28:19

Countries of PPCOC Missions Outreach



Vietnam



Indonesia



Philippines



Myanmar



Papua New Guinea



China



India

SHORT HISTORY OF THE MISSION WORK IN TUAO

IT ALL STARTED IN 2005...

In 2005, there was a call from sis. Mildred from the House Helpers class to bring the gospel to her home village in Tuao. Together with the churches from Baguio and Cebu, PPCOC responded to the call and the Tuao work was started. Bro. Jhun Ma and his wife, sis. Babes were the missionaries brought in from the other provinces to serve in this village. Bro. Oscar also served in Tuao till 2017 when together with his wife, MaryJoy, they moved back to his hometown in Mindanao. Besides providing some financial support to the church missionaries, PPCOC's support for the Tuao church include the annual youth mission trips, VBS, youth internship, church building project and many others.

YOUTH MISSION TRIPS

Each year since 2006, PPCOC has been blessed with youths who were willing to spend time and effort in reaching out to the schools and communities around Tuao during their school holidays. Not only were the people in Tuao blessed and encouraged by these enthusiastic and passionate youths, the youths themselves were able to grow spiritually as they gave of themselves to God on these mission trips.

EXCITING CHALLENGES AHEAD

The Tuao church is actively looking for ways to spread the word of God. Besides serving and reaching out to the community in Tuao, they are now looking to start a new work in the nearby Tuao Central.

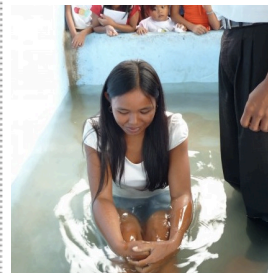
Your prayers for the Tuao church and their work will be much appreciated.



The Tuao church members and the 2008 Youth Mission Team



Youth Mission Teams and Interns



100th Baptism - 13 Sep 2009



First meeting place



The new building in 2007

The new building today, the interior renovation funded by the Tuao members



Youth Mission Trip 2018



SUNSET INTERNATIONAL BIBLE INSTITUTE – Singapore
347 Pasir Panjang Road, Singapore, Singapore 118688

HISTORY OF SIBI - SINGAPORE

Sunset International Bible Institute – Singapore sprang from the work started in 2006 by Charles and Tamara Cook and the PP church. Charles taught a variety of SIBI bible courses for the congregation, and for others who wanted to participate. By 2011, the elders realized the great opportunity for an associate SIBI school program to train Christians from all over Asia, India and the Philippines who could then return to their homes where they already knew the language and the culture and were now equipped with Bible and ministry training. Since the PP church was already actively involved in mission's efforts in all those areas, the school was a natural part of and supplement to the missions taking place. Since that time, the PPCOC has been generous and hospitable in its support of the school and we have had seven graduating classes, having trained students from China, Vietnam, Myanmar, Malaysia, Philippines, India and even Papua New Guinea. Those students are touching the lives of people that most of us will never meet or know, but who are hearing – many for the first time – the gospel of Jesus Christ. This is how PPCOC is answering the call of the Great Commission (Matthew 28:18-20) of going into the world and making disciples.

On July 1 of this year, we began our new SIBI-Singapore term. We have a class of ten students this year: four second year students, three new students from the Philippines and three “local” students (who are also enrolled for the undergraduate degree program).

Of course, the beginning of each term is a mixture of getting settled into a new place (or getting resettled in the case of the returning students), obtaining or renewing student passes, and then adjusting to the demanding academic workload and study of their courses. That means that we often see looks of bewilderment as they begin to ask themselves, “What have I gotten myself into?!” Fortunately, they are all adjusting well and handling the workload.

From our recent graduates, word has come regarding the new work they've already started. Mark Valdez has not only taken on a full-time ministry position in Mindanao, Philippines, but is also conducting singing workshops with other congregations in the area. Kiran Babu is back with his home congregation and retaken his position there. Already he is reaching out into the community with good works. He and his congregation have begun a new food distribution work, along with feeding some of the poor widows (and others) in the area. And of course, he is preaching the gospel as well. We expect to hear more from others soon.

In the meantime, please pray for open doors for our graduates, and for a successful education for our students.



Graduating Class of 2019

- Mark Valdez
- Bily Saw Bin La Khrren
- Kiran Babu
- Star Duan
- Phoebe Huang
- Gracelynn Abance
- Renz Panday

Congratulations and may God be with all of you in your future endeavours.



New SIBI Students
Angela, Janriel, Ezra

- NEWS FROM THE MISSION FIELDS -



Pacao church of Christ

Cainta church of Christ celebrated their 20th anniversary in November last year. We thanked God for bro. Sonny and sis. Gina Catalan for their dedication and work in Cainta; and are grateful for their help during some of PP's mission trips.



Cainta church of Christ

SINGAPORE is my second home...the church is really so generous to me personally. They gave more than I ask from God. Thank you so much for your love and unmeasurable blessings. Because of you, I am still working in the Lord's vineyard. I like the food and most of the PP church members who help me in my Christian walk and also financially. I am blessed by God and I am willing to be blessed with others in Pacao. I love you all.

Joemar Recomono

India Mission Trip 2019

Sis. Grace M, Terilee, Wai Leng and Keng Geok were in India from 24 Apr to 4 May to conduct VBS and ladies bible classes for the churches and communities in the Kerala and Andhra Pradesh regions. Bro. Joel Madiki, PP's mission partner in India assisted the team during their time in India. Great job by the team!



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