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# MINDANAO UPDATE

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Greetings,

We received an encouraging report from Eld. Regino Barrero in Mindanao. Eld. Barrero is very committed. Not only is he building a good, strong work near Cagayan de Oro City, the principal city of Northern Mindanao, but he pays regular visits to the other churches that he oversees in Mindanao.

In his report, Eld. Barrero wrote about Pastor Rogelio Panay's new branch work in the DOLE banana plantation in Malungon Saranggani. We are very grateful for this progress in evangelism in this region. While pastoring quite some distance away in Balasiao, this good man is planting the Gospel in a new area! We are so grateful to Pastor Allen Evans and the congregation in Columbus, OH who paid for the materials to construct the church building in Balasiao, which now serves as the mother church for this region.

Eld. Barrero also reported about Pastor Ernesto Bartolaba's seventeenth pastoral anniversary. Pastor Bartolaba has been pastoring for many years and has done a good work for God in the years he served there. We are very grateful to Pastor Steve Kelley and the congregation in Kamiah, ID for purchasing this nice facility for the congregation in Initao a number of years ago.

In another picture, you can see Eld. Barrero painting the new church building in Bara. Pastor Phil White and congregation of Burbank, CA recently paid for the materials to construct this nice building which serves this congregation so well and is the first phase of the the Southern Regional Headquarters for our fellowship.

May the Lord richly bless everyone whose generosity helps make this growing Mission possible.

In His Service,

*The visitors and the brethren  
who attended the service last  
September 8, 2012 at Kiblat,  
Malungon Saranggani province.*



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## Mindanao Churches Victory Reports September 2012

September 6-7-8, 2012 I and sis Barrero went to Kiblat, Malungon Saranggani Province to open a church in that said Province. This province is near to General Santos City. Kiblat is a barangay (Precint) at Malungon, the capital town of Saranggani Province. This province has no city yet, but it is now in the process that the municipality of Malungon is becoming to be a city.

Kiblat is a barangay of the municipality of Malungon, this barangay is surrounded with a wide plantation of banana owned by DOLE (Department Of Labor Employment) Philippines. Pastor Rogelio Panay host Pastor of Balasiao church works in this said banana Plantation, and he has a house in this said barangay. Pastor Rogelio Panay is not just working in that plantation, but he has a burden to the lost souls in that area. So he decided to use his house for temporary church building, for church service.

September 7- Friday 2012 at 2:00 pm I conducted seminar and Bible study, two families attending in our seminar very close friends and neighbor of Pastor Rogelio Panay.

September 8- at 8:30 in the morning 2012, we had a dedication service of the church building owned by Pastor Rogelio Panay for church service, and at the same time starting the church service in the area. I endorsed Pastor Rogelio Panay to be the Pastor in that said newly opened church - Kiblat church, Kiblat- Malungon Saranggani Province. At this time more than twenty people attending in the church service. This is a big victory here in Mindanao, God open the doors to have one church in Saranggani Province.

September 11, 2012 I visit Initao church the church of Pastor Ernesto Bartolaba. They celebrated their church anniversary. Pastor Ernesto Bartolaba and Sis. Lydia Bartolaba celebrates their seventeen years (17 years) of ministry. Despite of many opposition, tests, challenges and trials still they were able to survive with the help of God. They were so happy together with their church members. We had a good fellowship, and we felt the great presence of God in our anniversary service. We thank the Lord for the Victory!

Prepared by,

*Pastor Regino Barrero*

*Brethren from Initao church celebrate their church anniversary giving a warm appreciation to Pastor and Sis. Bartolaba with their flowers.*

*Below Left: Eld. Barrero painting the church front wall of Barra Church building.*

*Below Right: The newly painted Barra Church building.*

