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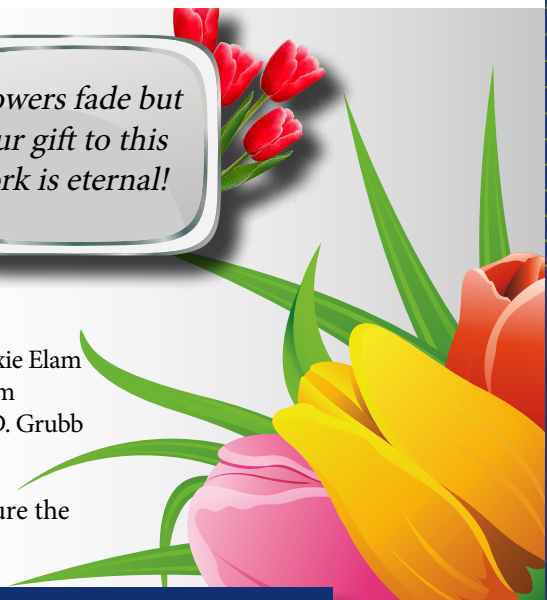
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*“to preach the gospel in the regions beyond you, and not to boast in another man’s sphere of accomplishments” II Cor. 10:16*

## To God be the Glory!



Dixie, Demar, and John Elam

To God be the glory! A two-day Medical, Dental, and Evangelism Mission were simultaneously conducted at the Mangaldan church of Christ chapel located at #188 J.L. De Guzman Street, Mangaldan, Pangasinan, Philippines last October 7, and 8, 2016. A total of 625 patients were treated (525 for Medical consultations and 100 for tooth extractions). There were 188 Bible Studies conducted resulting in 19 souls obeying the gospel through baptism.

We thank the Lord for making the event possible and successful. We express our gratitude to Asian Christian University and its sponsors/supporters for the medicines used and distributed during the medical and dental mission. We would like to thank the doctors, dentists, nurses, and pharmacists (who are all members of the church), they sacrificed their efforts, time, and energy for this two-day event. We also would like to thank the Faculty, Staff, and Student Body of Asian Christian University for handling the evangelism efforts for the event.

In behalf of the Mangaldan church of Christ and the townspeople of Mangaldan, Pangasinan, Philippines...thank you to all of you! Mabuhay!

- Junas Sagurit



Mangaldan church of Christ venue of medical /Evangelism mission



19 precious souls were baptized into Christ during the mission.

Junas Sagurit shown with some of the dental volunteers.

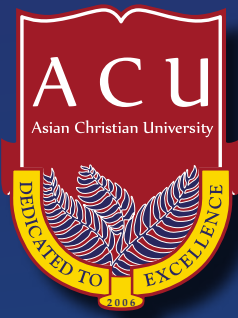


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*“...See, I have set before you an open door, and no one can shut it...” Rev. 3:8*





# Asian Christian University

## ASIAN CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY EVANGELISM

Evangelism is very important to the preaching students at Asian Christian University (ACU). They have two programs: Every third Saturday evangelism and every Wednesday evangelism.

Every third Saturday evangelism: The focus of the ACU evangelism committee is to edify the congregations that they are serving and every third Saturday they go to a specific congregation to help them in evangelism. In August they helped the Camiling Church of Christ, Camiling Tarlac. They conducted religious Bible survey with the members of that congregation and with the help of God were able to find 37 new prospects. Some of these are already attending worship. In September they helped the Bayambang Church of Christ, Bayambang Pangasinan. Again they conducted religious Bible survey and were able to find 22 new prospects. This month they are helping the Balungao Church of Christ, Balungao Pangasinan. Their target is to follow up with the converts during the medical mission.

Every Wednesday evangelism: Since some of the students are available every Wednesday, they also use this day to evangelize. They divided the group in two. One group will evangelize on the ACU campus and the other group is in Urbiztondo congregation (the newly established congregation). This evangelism is on-going and will last the duration of this semester.

Praying that God may bless this work and plan.

## GOOD DEED PROJECTS FOR GOOD DEED STEWARDS

Lk. 6:38 "Give, and it will be given to you. Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over will be put into your bosom. For with the same measure that you use, it will be measured back to you."

1. We provide Christmas gifts and a party for all our orphans and house parents. This year we have 26 children (12 girls and 14 boys) and we need \$825 in order to do this. Can you help?
2. We provide Christmas gifts (shoes, preaching clothes and a party) for our Faculty, staff and student body. This year we have 38 people to provide for and we need \$2,250 to do this. Can you help?

God bless you and remember: God is good all the time!

## MORE SCENES FROM THE MEDICAL, DENTAL AND EVANGELISM MISSION



Patients signing in to be treated and waiting for their name to be called



See how happy these Mission volunteers are!

Dentist extracting a tooth. Ouch!



# Christ's Happy Childhaven

## CHC CHILDREN WERE TREATED TO A BIRTHDAY PARTY

Last October 1, 2016, our little ones at Christ's Happy Childhaven were treated a birthday party by the Hilomen family. Mr. Geo and Mrs. Jenna Hilomen sponsored the event. The party was blast for our little ones, they were treated with parlor games, school supplies as gifts, plenty of foods from Jollibee, and to make the party merrier two clowns gave good entertainment for the children.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo and Jenna Hilomen are not members of the church, however, this is already the second time they treated our little ones with this kind of party. It was the birthday celebration of one of their children namely, Ghem Ghem and instead of celebrating it with other "rich" kids, Mr. and Mrs. Geo and Jenna Hilomen deemed it best to celebrate it with our CHC children in order to TEACH their children the virtue of sharing and giving to the less fortunate. We highly commend this couple and their family for this gesture. We are hoping that other Filipinos specially our Christian brothers and sisters would step up the plate and share their blessings to this kind of endeavors. It is really an encouragement for all of us that even non-members of the church are sharing their blessings to our children.



## JOHN ELAM – OUT OF HOSPITAL

Our precious John was in the hospital for four days in late September. He was admitted with suspected pneumonia. However, we are thankful it turned out to be bronchitis instead. We are glad the doctors took swift action to prevent it from turning into pneumonia. They gave him some strong antibiotics through an IV and this helped turn things in the right direction.

We stayed with John around the clock and he was a good patient. His nurses loved him but got emotional when he thanked them for giving him a shot or drawing blood. They said: "Oh no John you don't need to thank us for doing that." They felt bad about giving him a shot or drawing his blood and to have him thank them, it actually got to them. They took such good care of him!

He is home now and making a full recovery. The nurses got a good laugh the day he was being checked out to go home. John knew he was going home and he would tell every nurse or hospital personnel that entered the room that he was taking it to the barn. Some of them asked us—"Did he say he was taking it to the barn?" We laughed and said yes! Please keep our sweet son in your prayers. John is a special blessing from God and we love him so much!



Big John