Subject: Evangelist Randy Chovan Philippines Report July-August 2016

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Dear Beloved Supporters and Prayer Partners,

Greetings in our Lord! We trust that each of you are having a blessed Summer.

The Lord has truly, "Shown us great and mighty things" (Jer. 33:3) in our recent four week ministry in the Philippines. He blessed His preached Word with 270 professions of faith in our Christ (1Cor.1:21). The Philippines does not have a warped interpretation of our First Amendment concerning, "Seperation of Church and State". So the opportunities abound to preach in public schools and universities, City Halls, police departments, police academy and the Philippine Army.

Our first week was at Faith Baptist Church in Pampanga, Luzon. We had a mattress on the floor with a bucket of water for a bath, but the church took good care of us and we had a busy week of preaching in schools and in the church. This was my second time at this church, Grace's first. We conducted a pastors conference as well as evangelistic meetings. We saw much fruit among the lost and some real revival among the Saints.

Our second week was at Calvary Independent Baptist Church in Legaspi City. We flew from Manila to Legaspi instead of the 10-12 hour bus ride. Luzon is a big island! Pastor Matamis (name means "sweet") and his family have been friends for many years. This was my fourth time here, Grace's first. Legaspi is home to the 8,000 feet high active volcano, called, "Mayon". It has erupted many times, spewing ash, rocks and lava as recently as 2013. There is always a constant stream of steam emitting from the opening crater at the top. We had a great ministry here in this church as well as another church in the city of Bulan (means "Moon"....we went to the moon to preach!) Three hours drive away. We also preached

to the whole Crime Lab Department (NCIS) of the PNP (Philippine National Police). The director is Col. Solomon Segunda, a member of the church in Legaspi.

Our third week was at New Testament Bible Baptist church in Dumaguete City. We flew from Manila to Dumaguete which is located on the Island of Negros. This was was my fifth time here, Grace's second. This is the only one of the churches where we preached that has an American missionary pastor, Douglas and Helen Worley. Bro. Worley is 73 years old and going strong! We conducted another pastors conference during the day and a revival meeting in the evening. Our meeting was the last event in their old building. As soon as the meeting finished, the old building was torn down to be replaced by a beautiful new church building.

Our fourth and final meeting was at Open Door Bible Baptist Church located in Sagay City, five hours north of Dumaguete. Pastor Jose Ruiz and his wife, Lolita, were amazing hosts. This was our first time in this, the largest of all the churches where we ministered. We conducted a revival meeting in conjunction with their 28th church anniversary. Annual church anniversaries are a big event in Philippine churches. The church people worked so hard going into the community to invite first time visitors to the anniversary/revival meeting. We saw 300 first time visitors to the Sunday morning service and many more during the revival. We saw many saved and much revival among the people. We also preached a three day missions conference in a daughter church in the city of Vito.

We have been invited back to all of these churches in our future schedule. Humanly speaking, we could not fulfill our schedule without the prayers and financial support of people like you.

We are now fully engaged in our full fall schedule here in the USA. We have a full 2017 schedule dotted with several foreign trips.

Thanks, again, for your active participation with us. We love and appreciate each of you. God bless and use you all,

Evangelist Randy Chovan Family