

Dear Faithful supporters in prayer and funding,

In my personal devotions this morning I came across this verse:

(Psalms 72:13-14) “He shall spare the poor and needy, and save the souls of the needy. He shall redeem their soul...”.

This verse certainly describes our recent ministry in the Philippines! We have been preaching for 18 years now in the Philippines. This ministry began on July 2. I flew from Cleveland to Los Angeles (5 hours); then on to Taipei, Taiwan (12 hours), landing in Manila (2 hours). I had to overnight in the airport because I had an early flight the next morning to Dumaguete City, on the Island of Negros Oriental. So, let me give you a synopsis of the three weeks (3 churches).

WEEK # 1- Mid Sibulan Bible Baptist Church in Dumaguete

After two days, I was picked up at the airport and was very jet lagged because the Philippines is 12 hours ahead of Ohio. Pastor Wendel Vega drove me to the “Prophet’s Chamber” on the church compound. This was my first time preaching in this church. I preached 3 times on Sunday as it was their 7th church anniversary. The church worked very hard to invite unsaved neighbors and friends. We had 62 first time visitors! They filled the auditorium as the members stood outside. At the invitation, 32 souls responded to the gospel of Jesus Christ and professed faith. Monday I began preaching the annual Missions Conference (preaching twice a day). The Holy Spirit moved greatly among believers as many made revival decisions.

At the completion of this ministry, I flew back to Manila then on to Davao City on the southern most Island of Mindanao.

WEEK# 2- Nehemiah Baptist Church in the Municipality of Carman (90,000 people; they must have 100,000 to become a city)

I have preached meetings in this church regularly for the past 16 years. Pastor Albert Dillo and family are very good friends. I preached 17 times in one week! I was very tired at the end of this ministry. I preached revival meetings in the church, preached to students in Christian school, preached to school teachers, preached to students in Bible institute, preached at Carman City Hall, and preached in one of the daughter churches. We saw God bless His Word with four women receiving Christ and scores of revival decisions among believers. Pastor Albert drove me four

hours to my next meeting in General Santos.

WEEK # 3- Mount Calvary Baptist Church in the City of General Santos, Mindanao.

Pastor Douglas Sisson (American missionary who started this church 30 years ago) received me and was such a gracious host. This was my second time to preach here. The church has a Bible college with 242 students. I preached chapel on Friday, July 17. The next day (Saturday) we went soulwinning for 8 hours! Whew! Sundays at Mt. Calvary are certainly exciting! We saw 1000 (exactly) in Sunday school. I taught a quick five minute message in four of the adult classes. The morning service had 1347 in attendance. I preached and 15 lost souls came forward for salvation. They are taken out and dealt with one on one with trained counselors. They are then included

in an intense discipleship program on Wednesday nights. Again, they are disciplined individually with a trained discipler. The church retains most of the people who are saved there. Praise God! This church is exemplary in their fulfilling ALL the Great Commission. God's Spirit moved greatly among these believers as well.

I flew out of General Santos on Tuesday, July 21. This time we flew around the other side of the earth — Manila to Jeddah, Saudi Arabia; then to New York City and then to Cleveland. I literally flew around the world on this trip!

Thank you all, again, for your constant prayers and faithful financial support. These 51 souls who professed faith in Christ “abound to your account” (Phil. 4: 17).

God bless each of you in your service to
Christ and King,

Evangelist Randy Chovan