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Leadership Seminar

The Panay Island Churches of Christ Evangelizing Association (PICCEA) sponsored a church leadership seminar on church growth on June 9 and 10. CALM Philippines works closely with PICCEA. The seminar was held at the Taft North Church of Christ in Iloilo City and Juanito Magbanua served as host and facilitator. Three speakers from Manila Bible Seminary led the seminar. The meeting was fruitful and successful with seventy-six individuals in attendance, who left better equipped for ministry. The group is already planning to meet again next year.







Taft North, Iloilo City

The building where the Taft North Church of Christ meets had some flood damage because of Typhoon Mawar at the end of May. Juanito Magbanua and others put in a lot of effort to repair the damage. Fortunately, they were able to hold services on June 4 with Juanito preaching. He also spoke at Taft North on June 11. Further building repairs are needed and they hope to be able to add a second floor to provide a larger meeting space as well as classrooms. Funds are limited so they are proceeding as they are able to obtain materials.

Belison Church of Christ

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Juanito spoke at the Belison church on June 18. He had a very busy weekend. He conducted two funeral services on Saturday and then traveled to the west side of Panay Island to preach at the house church in Belison. After the service he conducted a wedding.

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Guimaras

Juanito spoke at the Guimaras Church of Christ on June 25. The pastor of the church, Joey Pereja, continues to serve despite his health problems and frequent dialysis. Three people were baptized following the worship service.

National Leaders' Convention



Juanito, along with more than 750 church leaders, attended the national convention of the Churches of Christ/ Christian Churches in the Philippines in Baguio City from June 30 to July 1.



Good News!

CALM Philippines USA has been notified that the IRS has determined we are now exempt from federal income tax (501(c)3 public charity). Donors can deduct contributions they make on their federal income tax returns.

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Pray for

- Juanito, CALM Philippines, and the churches they serve.
- The Youth Camp in July and the planning and preparation for the event.
- Joey Pareja, pastor at the Guimaras church and member of the CALM Philippines board is in kidney failure and recovering from a stroke.
- Most of the churches which CALM serves have limited financial resources and have difficulty keeping up with ministry needs. Please pray for additional funding to help reach the people on Panay Island.

How you can help

Instructions on how to give to CALM can be found on https://calmphilippinesusa.net/Give. If you would like to make CALM your VBS mission, take an offering to support one of the programs of CALM, or have someone come talk to your church or organization about supporting CALM please send us an email at calm.ph.usa@gmail.com.

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