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Tangalan Church Has a New Place to Worship



For several years, the Tangalan Church of Christ, in the Aklan Province, has been meeting outside in good weather and in a too-small house in bad weather. The congregation is small, poor, and has been unable to afford to build a place for worship so they have continued to make the best of their situation and pray for a more permanent solution.

Their prayers and patience were rewarded when some generous donors gave gifts through CALM Philippines USA to make building a new meeting place possible. The new chapel, made with bamboo and botong poles, a tin roof, and wall panels was quickly constructed at a cost, so far, of a little over 57,000 pesos (\$1,000). The building is 18 feet by 28 feet, which will accommodate approximately 50 to 70 people. The congregation



met for worship for the first time on December 17. The members and guests gathered for a Thanksgiving service the next Sunday and celebrated the blessing of the new chapel.



More work needs to be done. The walls are not complete, the floor needs to be installed, and furnishings are needed, but the Tangalan church now has a place to worship and to carry out their mission: "Loving God and Loving People."

More pictures of the project can be viewed at

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Iloilo Bible Seminary

The Iloilo Bible Seminary had a Christmas celebration on Dec. 15. The six students are shown here with Juanito Magbanua. The went home for Christmas break and will return on January 8 and take the mid-term exams on January 11 and 12.



Juanito's Activities

Juanito preached at the Banate church on December 3. He traveled to the La Carlota Church on Negros Island to help them celebrate an anniversary on December 10. Juanito helped start that church in 1979. He was at the Aglalana Church on December 17 and at the Taft North Church on December 24.

Juanitio was one of the speakers at the 50^{th} Annual Conference for Youth at Cebu on December 26-29. He along with his sons, Jet and Mike, were honored as past presidents for the conference.

Juanito also spent a lot of time at Tangalan helping with the construction of the chapel.

Pray for

- Juanito, CALM Philippines, and the churches they serve.
- Two medical missions will be held in January.
- The success of the Iloilo Bible Seminary and the teachers and students.

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