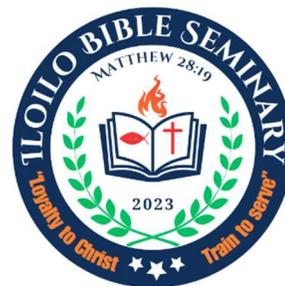


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Caring And Loving Mission
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Iloilo Bible Seminary

Juanito Magbanua founded the Iloilo Bible Seminary (IBS) in 2023 with the goal of developing and training Christian leaders for the churches in Panay Island, Philippines.



Juanito began his ministry by planting a church in Iloilo City in the summer of 1984. Thirty-five churches have been established since that time. Juanito ministers to these churches through CALM Philippines. His son, Mike, has begun to work with him but at the age of 70, Juanito realizes more trained and capable workers are needed – now and in the years to come.

IBS is in its second year, and six students are currently enrolled. Juanito had hoped to be able to start a new freshman class this year, but sufficient funding was not available.



A four-year program is planned with the ultimate goal of adding ten students each year. In addition to bible classes, training will be provided in Restoration Movement history, math, English, Filipino, philosophy, psychology, counseling, music and other topics. The students travel to the churches on weekends to gain practical ministry experience. Graduates will have a Bachelor of Theology and a Bachelor of Christian Education degree and will be fully equipped to provide leadership to the churches as ministers of the gospel.

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Student instruction is provided at the Taft North Church of Christ. Half of the room is used for classroom instruction and the other half is used for student lodging. Nine instructors volunteer their time to conduct the classes; the students pay no tuition but are responsible for meals and expenses. The cost for food is about 7,000 pesos (\$130) per student per month. They receive some support from their families and their home churches, but most are poor and have trouble even paying for meals. Some students have had to drop out this year because they couldn't afford to continue.

IBS needs additional resources to be able to achieve its goals, including computers, an electronic keyboard and textbooks. The students need additional support to cover living expenses.

The IBS leaders are praying for financial assistance to maintain operation. Please prayerfully consider providing a scholarship to help the students prepare for the ministry. Gifts of any amount will be greatly appreciated and will help to provide the gospel message to the Filipino people. Your gift may change people's lives for eternity!

You can give online; designate your gift to Iloilo Bible Seminary or you can write a check with IBS in the memo line and send to

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Pray for

- Juanito's health and safety as he ministers to the CALM churches and the Christians on Panay Island.
- CALM Philippines and the churches they serve
- The monthly medical missions
- Iloilo Bible Seminary

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