



# Mission: Asia 2000

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**"...Then you will know that I am the Lord YAHWEH)." Ezekiel 35:4**

Dear Mission friends,



**Tonio, Rick, Imelda, Yvonne & Gretna**

We just stay under the impact of the great love and grace of our Heavenly Lord. He is faithful and His Kingdom is built.

We hold onto His Almighty Hand and we follow as He directs us with His Spirit.

What a privilege that we can thank and praise Him, also for His power, for we need His power always, as we are constantly in a battle. The victories follow as you pray for us. We praise the Lord that He keeps His work in place and in that you play a key role. We have great appreciation that you make constant sacrifices by praying and giving for the much needed finances. Alone we cannot make it. Thank you very much. You will be rewarded by Him.

## The latest news from the Philippines

It is always interesting to read Imelda Sedano's report. And what a privilege if one can go around with her in Baguio city, Philippines. Then you find out what this little lady is able to do and how she puts in every bit of energy to finish her task. The first photo at the top of the page shows Tonio, Rick, Imelda, Yvonne & Gretna. The two men are both disabled, as one can see clearly with Rick in the wheelchair. Tonio is a disciple who Imelda had trained to make other disciples and she helped him to start with Rick.



**Bible study in the park**



**The lady of the house with her friend Joy**

Later during the day the Conradies could accompany them all to buy a battery for Rick's wheelchair and the Lord provided that there were funds in the mission's account that could be used for this purpose. This makes life for Rick so much easier because now he has a battery driven wheelchair! Imelda still has other disciples who she has trained and we see a big group of them

who got together in the beautiful Burnham Park for the Bible study. The older lady who is on the right side of Yvonne was the leader for the occasion. The children standing in front was not part of the group, but had such a longing to also be on the photo.

Our brother Mel also has trained quite a number of disciples to do their own Bible studies. This particular Bible study played itself out in the house of a Barangay Captain. Such a person is a

**The whole group that attended the Bible study Christie stands to the right of Yvonne**



high official and it is a privilege to come into his house. His wife and a friend can be seen on the previous photo.

What was remarkable about her, her name is Joy, was the beautiful testimony she gave which was truly inspiring. She witnessed that whatever happens in her life, it doesn't matter if it is a difficult situation or

easy matters, she set herself to praise the Lord for all things in all situations and at all times. What a wonderful example she is for her own people and even for everyone that reads this newsletter. The little leader, who is probably the youngest of the adults, led the Bible Study in a very good manner and we were truly impressed and blessed. Her name is Christy B. Turalam.

### **The latest news from Cambodia** ---Miracles happen in Cambodia---

While Yvonne and Gretna were at Perlito and Rose's home, they were viewing their ministry amongst the kids, the couple suggested that the Conradies and Ely, who was then with them, bring a visit to a small community only about 50 meters from their place. Fortunately they sent a lovely Christian Cambodian girl with the visitors and how much they needed her, because in that small village no one could speak English and the Conradies and Ely could not speak one word of Kmer (Cambodian language). What was also to the visitor's advantage was the fact that the Cambodian girl was also fluent in English. That helped her to translate between the visitors and the Cambodians. So they walked along the road and one became aware of the squalor and poverty as they went along. It looked like a squatter's camp. As they walked along, they were trying to look friendly, greeting here and there and all at once there was a woman who stopped the group and spoke to the Cambodian girl. She asked that we sit with her for a while and she brought out chairs. In a moment's time she brought out a big bunch of bananas for us to eat. We were amazed at the hospitality shown to us. There also sat a friend with her, and as we wanted to leave, the lady of the house said: "Wait, my friend wants to ask you to pray for her". That of course was translated by our Christian friend. This was already a miracle. Why would a Buddhist ask Christians to pray for her? Her prayer request was namely that a sponsor could be

found for her nine year old daughter, so that she could go to school. She had never been to school, and later on we found out that this young kid had to work in Thailand as a baby sitter. However, when the request for a sponsor was made, Yvonne was immediately led by the Holy Spirit to say that she would sponsor the child. She told the Christian worker and she again told Bet (the lady with the prayer request). To say that Bet was in the clouds was to express it very weakly. She jumped up out of her seat and ran through the whole little village and shouted and shouted that she had a sponsor for her child.

The next move was to go to their little house, more of a shack, to meet the husband. He said that he was too sick to work and has several diseases, but the whole truth is that he drinks and smokes, and that with the precious little money that they have to live on. The next step was to



**Sina, the little girl**

explain more about faith in Jesus Christ, and our Cambodian friend really went all the way to tell them (she also translated to us). Bet was gripped by everything that was told to her and in the end she, and also to our surprise, the man Bart prayed the sinner's prayer and accepted Jesus in their hearts. There is of course a long way for them to go to become real Bible believers. They promised that they will start going to Perlito and Rose's church.

After we had already left Cambodia, we had an email from Perlito and Rose to inform us that the daughter, Sina, was fetched from Thailand and is now in the school with them.

Every one of these things that happened with this family was truly miracles from the Lord.

## Thanks & Prayers!

Once again we just want to say thank you very much to everyone who supports us in such a brilliant and loveable way through finances and prayer; also, for the encouragement by email, telephone calls and personal visits. May you truly be blessed by the Lord. Let us follow the example of the lady, Joy, in the Bible study, and praise the Lord in all circumstances. Please also pray for every situation we had shared.

With all our love

Yvonne, the two teams and Mercy in China

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