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Missionaries to the Philippines

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Dear Bro Gutiérrez and Friends,

I pray that this letter finds you, your family and church family healthy and covid free. The restrictions here in Paranaque have recently gone back to **ECQ**, **Enhanced Community Quarantine** due to the escalation of new cases and increased covid related deaths. For the last two weeks we were not able to have on site services; only live streaming has been permitted. Just yesterday it eased just a little to **MECQ**, **Modified Enhanced Community Quarantine.** We can now have **10%** of the capacity in person attend the services. There have been families of Berean that have contracted the virus, but by God's grace, none have had to be hospitalized; nor have any of the members contracted the virus from attending the services.

Last February 9<sup>th</sup>, when the restrictions were more lenient; Sandie and I had the joy of once again teaching in the Missionary Training Seminar. The Lord continues to call men and women to the foreign mission field. We thank the Lord that the Calimbahins from Berean were a part of the group this year.

On February 12<sup>th</sup>, we had the privilege to ordain two men to the Gospel Ministry. Bro. Joseph and Joy Apellanes standing in the front left of the picture, are ready to go; just waiting for their visa's to be released from Indonesia.

Jowie and Bambet Calimbahin going to Taiwan, have been hindered greatly this year, due to the restrictions of the pandemic. They were getting into churches until these last two weeks of MECQ which has shut everything down again.

On February 20<sup>th</sup> we had our first Men's Fellowship since the quarantine began. I was pleased that there were 38 men present. This was a good sign that they were ready to be faithful to this fellowship once again in spite of the continued restrictions.



We thank the Lord for the **two** additions through the waters of **Baptism** this quarter. Received with thanksgiving for the months of **January - March - <u>\$195</u>** 

> In Christ, Mike & Sandie