



*No. 64*

*A Full House!*

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**"My heart is overflowing with a good theme...."(Psalm 45:1)**

**Dear friends,**

The psalmist here is overwhelmed with emotion. Likewise, the Lord has stirred and filled my heart as we prepare and plan for the Center's 2010-11 classes of kids. (For clarification, the above title doesn't refer to poker language but rather to God's gift of perhaps 7 girls and 8 guys.) Actual classes won't start until June but we have prospective kids coming this week or next plus our summer classes will start right after the May 10 National election.

Last week, Angie and I traveled to a squatter area about an hour away to visit the Marquez family. Please pray for them as we'd sure like to see two of the girls enroll at our Center. Julio (41 yrs. old) is the father of five. Justin (3) has asthma, Julio Jr. (7) had a stroke, Jocelyn (Jacko) is 10 yrs. old, has a severe hearing problem and is one of the girls that we want. Jennalyn (15) is the other one and wasn't home when we visited. The older sister (Maryjane) is 18 and is working in Olongapo.

Their mother (Myrna) had another baby about 3 wks ago. She works in Olongapo as a katulong (house-helper) and recently left Julio. The baby is from another man. Julio has a hard time "navigating" as he fell into a canal many years ago and severely damaged one of his legs. The family is extremely poor.

**PRAISES:**

1. For good vacation times for both Lita and the De Guzman family. One of Lita's family members received Christ and Albert says that they had a great time of bonding with their extended family.
2. We have a well-knit Lifehouse team and work well together.
3. Apparently, all of our kids passed.

**PRAYERS:**

1. Renea was able to get a ticket for a May 4 return flight but still needs prayer for her well-being. Also needed is a baby-sitter for Lydia as Linda will be focused on carrying for the new girls.
2. With twice the number of kids to care for and new construction, we need more financial help.
3. Along with that, we'd appreciate new additions to our Warriors on the Walls.
4. It seems that we've enough "applications" for new students. Pray that they'd be God's chosen ones and for Angie as she spearheads this very important work.
5. Albert's construction team has prioritized the girl's dorm extension. Pray for their safety (both in work and from the heat) and for the Lord's perfect timing for its completion.
6. Pray for the Buchens. For their financial support, for Renea's return and for Don as he is planning a May visit to Olongapo.
7. For our new ACTION Field Director. For God's choice and if it is Mike Gingerich, then for someone to take his wife Cindy's position as our Financial Manager.
8. For a profitable 7-day visit to our Center by three students from Bethany College, MN.
9. Rhoda had her Illirazov unit removed last week. One more Dr.'s visit on Friday and then a possible hip operation when she's 25. Please pray that these 2 ½ yrs of help would not be in vain...that the family would open their hearts to Christ.

**Thanks for praying!**

**In Christ,**

**Ron**