

Dear Pastor, Church Family, & Friends,

It is with heavy heart I report the departure of our Senior Deacon Art Gabo. The Church had prayerfully considered him to take over Tagumpay Baptist Church. In the past five years He's the third candidate. I must say it's disheartening, but we press on by the grace of God!

Please continue to pray for our members with all the changes and current challenges that we will stay the course and keep our eyes on Jesus!

Pray also for the new church plant. Our hopeful sight in Napsan has turned up empty. In regards to available land, it's either too expensive or too remote with no electric, poor water source, zero wi-fi, and only pockets of people living off the grid. The good news is Palawan is a big island. There is a possibility 55km north of Puerto Princesa of which we are still praying for. Until then we will stay fully committed to Tagumpay and stay focused on more Bible training, especially with our young people who are zealous and eager to grow and go!

During my furlough in the States Bro. John Paul from our second church plant did a wonderful job building on the foundations we had laid. In particular a young man in his early 20's received the assurance of salvation and approached me with the desire to be baptized.

As most of you are already aware Jan.28th was our fifth year Church Anniversary. It was well attended and our guest speaker Pastor John Narag from Tagaytay preached a challenging message. We also heard an encouraging testimony from one of our young ladies saved last year and now helping to teach in our children's Sunday School. We also looked back on our Church history video and was lifted up through godly music!

In February we conducted an overnight prayer meeting. This was only the second time as a church and God really blessed. We had 12 in attendance and every heart was stirred in various sessions of prayer. Something uniting about fervent group prayer!

In closing I must accept the things that have not come to pass as expected. Thankfully Biblical love never fails. It beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things, (Romans 13:7)

All for His glory,

Bro. Shaffer & Family

(2 Thessalonians 3:5 KJV) And the Lord direct your hearts into the love of God, and into the patient waiting for Christ.



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Prayer Requests:

- New Sunday School topic: Importance of Family
- Training new Children's Sunday School Teachers
- Our Spiritual questions Survey used in Soul-winning. So far there's a good participation to these five questions.
- 1.) Who is God
- 2.) What is sin
- 3.) Is heaven real, if so how do I get there
- 4.) What happens to me after I die
- 5.) Is the Bible the word of God

Blessings:

- God's faithful provisions for our family needs
- Timothy & Matthew's achievements in school
- Nearly 50% of our financial goal in launching the fourth church plant.
- Our new supporting Church from Australia
- All the many friends in like ministry to include Bible Believers Baptist and Redeemer Baptist, our second Church plant.
- Brother John Paul our son in the faith who stepped in during my furlough and helped lead the Church.