

Davao Philippines 2009

What about Pastor and Deborah's expenses?

Pastor Joe and Deborah were able to prepay all their own expenses. They had some free miles from the trip to Australia and the pastors conference in California last year and bought the balance needed. So the travel cost came out to slightly less than 2 for one on airfare costs. Full cost of tickets would have been \$1900.00 each. They had to stay one night in Manila on the way to Davao and one night in Tokyo on the way home to make connections.

UPDATE:

How your prayers and money were used for Christ's glory.
God provided \$1300.00 when we raised funds

Our initial estimates in US dollars for the conference while raising funds was \$850.00 based on a \$20.00 provided scholarship and each attendee paying \$10.00

Our scholarship included all transportation costs.
This was based on 50 attendees.

\$1300.00 is = to **62,224.42 pesos** Exchange rate approx **47.86 pesos per dollar**

Our actual costs for rooms, utilities, conference space, food (prices were a little higher and not as easy to bargain, especially rice with the world wide problem), staff (we hired three cooks from the church, dishwasher (2 girls from the orphanage on the property- example of labor cost-300 pesos per day), firewood, equipment (some dishes and woks which the church in Davao can now use for other events), printing, transportation for conference and evangelism travel, love gift to Pastor Bouhage for traveling with us and providing a video projector for pre- preaching film showings at the evangelism meetings, cash exchange fees and some misc expenses were:
56,251.02 pesos

A few adjustments were made for the attendees.

Everyone that registered could not come so with the number we had, we were able to provide the entire cost of \$30.00 as a scholarship for all so all their expenses were paid because those that came could not afford to pay.

When done we had **7600 pesos** left in the budget.

Here is what we did with it.

Ernie, Dorcas and another couple wanted to go to the Bagobo (they should be there now) and do 2 weeks followup after the evangelism and work with the local pastor whom Ernie is training there. His name is Pastor Bosay. He was with us for 2 days during our meetings there. He hiked 15KM, 1 way, to where we were meeting and stayed with a family for 2 days where Ernie holds a weekly bible study.

For this work, 3500 pesos would be needed to provide food and water for 2 weeks. The Lord provided so we would not have to come back and raise funds.

Pastor Bousey's son was getting married Saturday after we left for home. Bogabo fathers pay for the wedding. Rice and soft drinks is the meal for guests. He could not afford it. We provided the 1500 pesos needed and gave him a love offering of a 1000 pesos for his help.

Ernie has some eye problems and could not afford an exam.

It costs 250 pesos at the clinic. We gave him 250 pesos for the exam and another 250 for a follow up or for medicine.

Ian, Ernie's son is in college. It costs approx \$450 US per year. We have previously paid for one semester of his tuition and we gave Ian 2000 pesos toward his next semester.

The Lord did some real loaves and fishes work here and we are so grateful for your support in this work through prayer and finances.

I will be providing an update of what we are planning for the future. We have 3 projects we are

praying about and the men and women are praying for another conference next year.