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“Preparing the Bride” was the theme of the Calvary Chapel Philippines Northern Regional Pastors and Workers Conference in the northern city of Baguio (a 6-hour drive from Masantol) Oct 28-30. About 200 people (pastors and their wives, and workers) from 12-15 Calvary Chapel churches came to worship, study God’s Word, and fellowship together for 3 days. God anointed all 6 teaching sessions from the book of Thessalonians with Pastor Pat teaching from the last chapter. We were all encouraged to be obedient to Jesus and keep looking up for His return. Five people who help serve at CC Masantol also attended, and they shared with the church in Masantol this past Sunday about the conference. Some of the things they shared were: they have a clearer view of God’s grace; one day soon Jesus is going to rapture His church to be with Him forever; it’s important to be ready when Jesus comes back; they appreciated what all the pastors taught and the reinforcing what they’ve been learning at CC Masantol. We pray to take more people next October. It was also a blessing to meet new people and catch up with others. One couple, who moved from Hawaii two years ago, is starting a Calvary Chapel church in the nearby town of Bulacan, which is only a 40 minute drive from Masantol! We both plan to visit each other and grow in our new friendship.



Cindy with Arcelis and Cecilia, pastors’ wives from Bulacan and Manila, respectively.



Pastor Pat teaching at conference.

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Lots of strawberries and strawberry jam in the famous outdoor market in Baguio City. At 5,000 ft elevation, the weather is good for growing strawberries.



Flora, Jane, Jhek, Vino, and David from CC Masantol at a rest stop after the conference with a view of the beautiful mountains in Baguio City.

Praise Reports! – The 3-month old baby we prayed for last month is out of the hospital and doing well! –As part of the Child Evangelism Fellowship (CEF) team, we again helped *share the gospel to nearly 14,000 children* in public elementary schools in the towns of Lubao and Macabebe, Pampanga. –We thank God for your giving which helped finance the 3-day conference in Baguio and the CEF outreaches.

Prayer Requests - For CC Masantol and other churches to be lights in these “end times”, showing our love for Jesus through obedience and love for one another. –For strongholds of the enemy here in Masantol to be broken; drinking, homosexuality, stealing, lying, and abuse are too common. –For upcoming Christmas ministries and activities to point to and give all honor and glory to Jesus: Christmas play, crafts for the youth and kids, caroling, giving to those in need. –For safety when we take about 15 youth and kids swimming on November 8 as their reward for memorizing 20 Bible verses!

“Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you completely . . . He who calls you is faithful, who also will do it.” 1 Thessalonians 5:23-24

God Bless you! Pat and Cindy

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