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Hello Everyone,

Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised! Words fail us as we try to magnify and glorify the wonderful, marvelous and majestic name of our Lord Jesus. God is good and He certainly is good all the time! We just cannot praise Him enough! So much is happening on this side of the world.

We want to thank the Lord for granting us safety in the midst of the storm. Recently, as the great typhoon swept through Luzon and heavy rains swamped various parts of the Philippines the Lord looked after His servants here. We experienced heavy rain and wind but nothing like what other places had to face. Safety is of the Lord for He is our Shelter in a time of storm.

Our family has been blessed. Andrew and Caleb are growing, growing, growing. I do wish they would slow down. My favorite little boys in all the world are not going to be little much longer. They both have been having great difficulties with asthma. Both have been taking breathing treatments with steroid medications to help their breathing and stop the coughing. Please pray for them that the Divine Physician will touch them for this. Also pray for Amy, she is role playing momma, nurse, and teacher all. She has to change "hats" often throughout the day.

The church is being blessed and led by the Lord greatly. We are in the process of reorganizing our discipleship ministries within the church. We are developing a more intense prayer ministry that has our people praying with prayer partners and praying more frequently. We are currently conducting school ministries and prison ministry as well. Our adult ministries are beginning to produce more spiritual fruit and we are seeing spiritual growth among our adults.

We just celebrated our 3rd Church Anniversary at New Beginnings Baptist Church and the Lord honored us by allowing us to baptize twenty-four new converts. Brethren, God is working in our hearts here in the Philippines. We thank you for your continued support and faithful fervent prayers of intercession. God's grace working in and through you all make it possible for us to be here. May the Lord bless you each and every one always and in all ways.

Your friends and servants,

Bro. Chris, Amy, Andrew and Caleb



New Beginnings Baptist Church celebrated its 3rd Anniversary on September 24th with 964 people present throughout the various ministries of the church. It is hard to imagine that three years ago we started this ministry with seven people inside the living room of our house. Since that time God has saved a multitude of people and given them obedient hearts to follow Him in baptism. Many have been called as pastors, missionaries, pastor/missionary wives and Christian teachers. The Lord has enabled us to start the New Beginnings Baptist Bible College where we currently have twenty-four full and part-time students training for the ministry. Just this year the Lord blessed us with a Deaf Church ministry. I stand amazed at the goodness of God. God has been so good to us. We just cannot thank Him enough!

Dr. Steve Jarrett was our guest speaker and did a wonderful job of delivering the messages from God's Word. I consider Dr. Jarrett as a modern day Spurgeon. He was a tremendous blessing to our people



New Beginnings Baptist Church is constantly on the go and looking for more opportunities to serve the Lord and reach people with the Gospel. Our goals in ministry are to lead people to Christ, then through the waters of baptism, into a Biblical discipleship ministry and onto personal ministry.

Just recently a new team of freshly trained converts were able to start our 16th Sunday School extension class.





The first Sunday in October we had the privilege of baptizing twenty-four new converts in the Guimaras Strait just off the coast of Bacolod City. What a joy to see these new converts ranging from eight to sixty-seven years of age follow the Lord in believer's baptism. Please pray as we try to establish them in our Discipleship Ministry.



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This book is available for \$7.00 and may be ordered through our home church,
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