

Buenavista Church Project

Palawan, Philippines

AIAS Business Club

“When God makes it happen... we make it happen”



Fundraising Proposal

September 2012

I. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Project Title:	Buenavista Church Project
Country:	The Philippines
Date:	October 2012 to January 2013
Implemented by:	AIAS Business Club (ABC)
Beneficiaries:	Buenavista Church – Palawan
# of Direct Beneficiaries:	80 SDA members
Resources needed:	USD 29,805
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Buenavista village is a “barangay” (small town) located in the island of Palawan, a province of the Philippines, and is part of the Palawan Adventist Mission. The SDA church is growing in Palawan and the need for accommodating new members calls for developing the existing infrastructure. Most of the village churches in Palawan are constructed using local materials. These type of churches are easily destroyed by frequent tropical storms.

Local church leaders, with the support of the Palawan Mission, contacted AIAS Business Club (ABC) seeking for help to replace the actual “nipa” (local material) structure for a solid, durable, and more representative church building. The ABC approved the request and started to make promotion to fundraise resources to travel to Palawan and construct a church in Buenavista village.

II. Background Information

Palawan: The first church in Palawan was established in 1947. After many years of evangelism and hard work, the Palawan Mission was created in 2010 as part of the North Philippine Union Conference (NPUC). Today, the SDA presence in the island is summarized as follows:

- ⇒ Churches: 109
- ⇒ District Pastors: 14
- ⇒ Membership: 19,059
- ⇒ Population: 892.660
- ⇒ Elementary Schools: 9
- ⇒ Academy: 1 (run by NPUC)
- ⇒ Hospital: 1 (run by NPUC)



Map of the Philippines

Buenavista: Buenavista village is located 50 km. north from Puerto Princesa, the capital of the province of Palawan. The village has around 200 households. The main livelihood activities are fishing and farming.

Around 20 members (7 families) attend the church in Buenavista regularly. Other members and visitors attend the Sabbath School program. This church was established 5 years ago and was constructed out of local materials (bamboo, wood, and straw) by its members.

AIAS Business Club (ABC) Mission Trips: The ABC is the Club that gathers students and faculty of the Business Department at the Adventist International Institute of Advanced Studies (AIAS). It has been organizing mission trips since 2010. In 2010 they improved a Church in Indonesia, building the missing walls, windows, and doors, painting, and placing a tile floor. In 2011 the ABC remodeled the computer lab of Sabah Adventist School in Malaysia. ABC Mission Trips are organized to support church projects in the region. The previous experiences were so rich that this year the ABC officers decided to support one project in the Philippines: to help another Church to fulfill their dream of having a better place to worship the Lord and witness to the community.

III. Project Goal and Objectives

Goal:

- ❖ Construction of a basic church structure in Buenavista village.

Objectives:

- ⇒ Support the evangelism effort of the local Mission (Palawan Adventist Mission).
- ⇒ Provide an opportunity to the Business students and AIIAS community, to engage in an outreach program.
- ⇒ Support AIIAS to fulfill its mission of “developing leaders excelling in *service* to the church and society”.

IV. Project Implementation

The project implementation has been divided in 3 phases, according to the following activities:

1. Phase 1
 - i. Earth works: remove all structure, clean the construction area, level the ground
 - ii. Lay foundations
 - iii. Set the structure and roofing
 - iv. Set the floor
2. Phase 2
 - i. Set the walls
3. Phase 3
 - i. Doors and windows
 - ii. Facade
 - iii. Painting

The project LOA (Life of Activity) is intended for 4 months, if the funds were available¹:

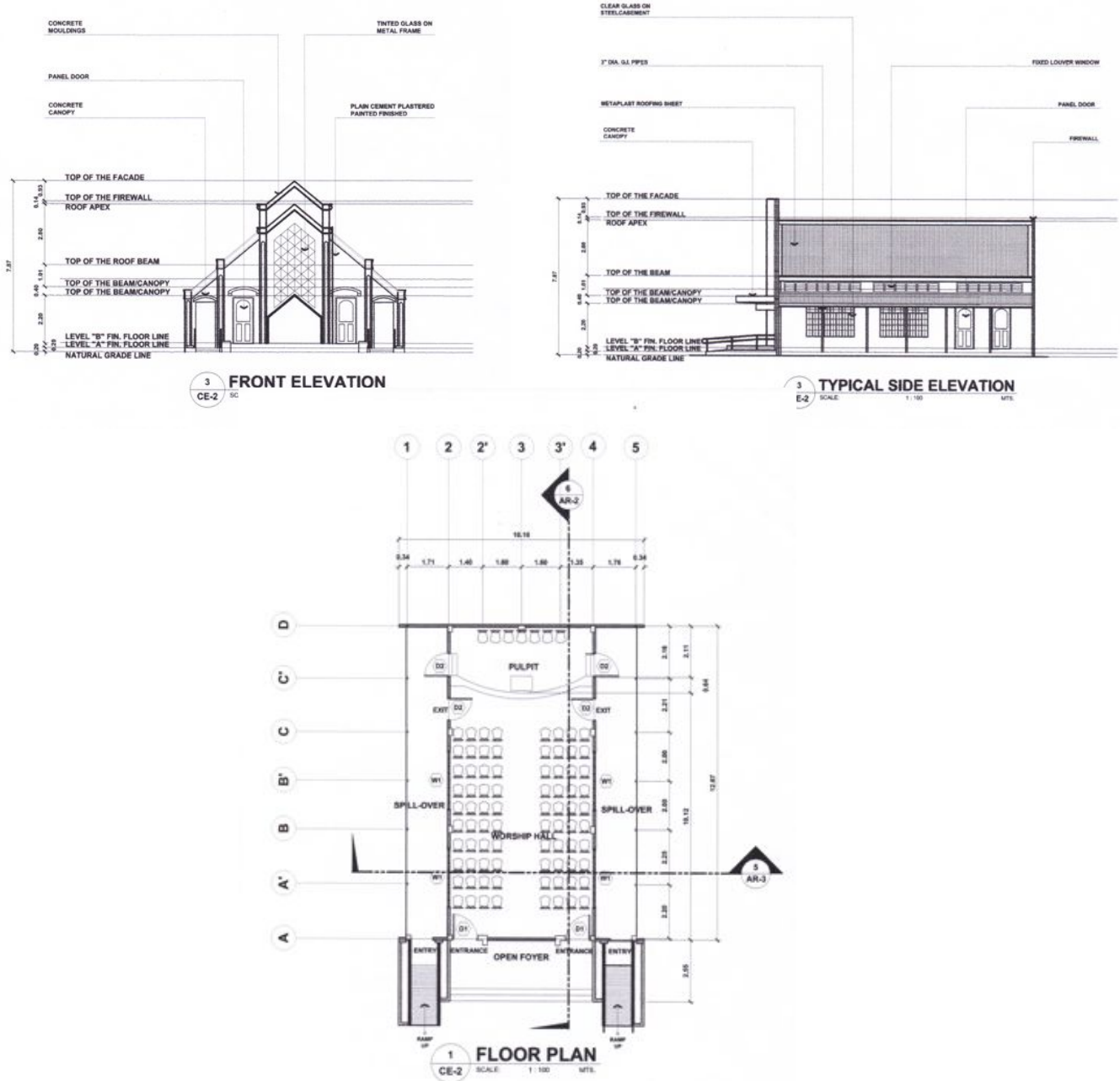
Phases	October 2012	November 2012	December 2012	January 2013
Phase 1				
Phase 2				
Phase 3				

Materials will be purchased in advance and made available at the construction site. Valuable materials will be guarded in the warehouse of the Mission.

¹ If funds were not available, then the building size will be adjusted and some materials (like steel) will be replaced by cheaper alternatives (like wood).

Local Church members, ABC members, and AIIAS Church members will constitute the work force. In addition, the church elder is a construction specialist and he will lead the team.

The building plan has been design by an engineer according to the recommendations of North Philippine Union for barangay churches. The front elevation, typical side elevation, and floor plan are as follows:



V. Project Appeal

This project needs USD 29,805 for its completion. We invite you to be part of this project by donating whatever amount of money the Holy Spirit inspires you to give. The Bible says that God loves free giving (Exodus 35:29). Your donation can be deposited in the following accounts:

Account in the Philippines:

- Bank Name & Branch: Philippine National Bank, Silang Branch, Silang, Cavite
- Dollar Account No.: 213248700017
- Peso Checking Account No.: 210207400018
- Routing Number: 0260-0300-7
- Acct. Name: A.I.I.A.S.
- Swift Code: PNB MPH MM

Donations in the USA:

In the United States, Philoscare Foundation (www.philoscare.com) is promoting and helping this project. They will provide you a tax-deductible receipt. Kindly write a check to "Philoscare Corp." specifying in the memo "Philippines Project" and send it to:

- Philoscare Corp.
- 666 Cortez Circle
- Altamonte Springs
- FL 32714

Web donations:

- http://www.aiias.edu/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=120&Itemid=197

After making the deposit kindly send an email to biaggica@aiias.edu for the proper crediting of the funds to the project. The ABC will make a Mission Trip from October 10 to 19 to start phase 1 of the construction, and give Bible studies at home of interested families. As funds are available phases 2 and 3 will continue subsequently under the ABC and Palawan Mission monitoring.

Our commitment

We will prepare a project report, including an expense report compared with the budget, and narrative report (including pictures). These reports will be available in the blog of the project (<http://PalawanMissionTrip.wordpress.com>). Each donor will receive and email with the link to visit the project report online.

VI. Budget

The implementation of the project is a joint effort of the local church (Buenavista), the local Mission (Palawan), AIIAS Business Club, AIIAS Church, and donors. Local members will contribute with labor, and the local Mission will contribute with the engineering and architectural plan, obtaining the building permit, transportation, purchasing and transporting the materials for the construction, and providing construction tools.

The budget was developed to meet the needs of our brethren in Buenavista, Palawan. The budget is divided in three phases as described in “Project Implementation”, and the detailed budget is as follows:

		PHASE 1			PHASE 2		
		Materials	Labor	Total	Materials	Labor	Total
1	Earthworks		PHP 4,300	PHP 4,300			
2	Concrete works	PHP 309,375	PHP 108,281	PHP 417,656			
3	Steel work	PHP 77,400	PHP 27,090	PHP 104,490			
4	Roofing & Tinsmithry works	PHP 109,934	PHP 38,477	PHP 148,411			
5	Plumbing works	PHP 2,254	PHP 789	PHP 3,043			
6	Masonry works				PHP 166,150	PHP 58,153	PHP 224,303
7	Electrical works				PHP 36,221	PHP 16,299	PHP 52,520
		PHP 498,963	PHP 178,937	PHP 677,900	PHP 202,371	PHP 74,452	PHP 276,823
Exchange rate = 41.50		USD 12,023	USD 4,312	USD 16,335	USD 4,876	USD 1,794	USD 6,670

		PHASE 3			TOTAL		
		Materials	Labor	Total	Materials	Labor	Total
1	Earthworks					PHP 4,300	PHP 4,300
2	Concrete works				PHP 309,375	PHP 108,281	PHP 417,656
3	Steel work				PHP 77,400	PHP 27,090	PHP 104,490
4	Roofing & Tinsmithry works				PHP 109,934	PHP 38,477	PHP 148,411
5	Plumbing works				PHP 2,254	PHP 789	PHP 3,043
6	Masonry works				PHP 166,150	PHP 58,153	PHP 224,303
7	Electrical works				PHP 36,221	PHP 16,299	PHP 52,520
8	Carpentry works	PHP 88,057	PHP 30,820	PHP 118,877	PHP 88,057	PHP 30,820	PHP 118,877
9	Hardwares	PHP 93,933	PHP 18,787	PHP 112,719	PHP 93,933	PHP 18,787	PHP 112,719
10	Painting works	PHP 36,124	PHP 14,450	PHP 50,574	PHP 36,124	PHP 14,450	PHP 50,574
		PHP 218,113	PHP 64,056	PHP 282,169	PHP 919,447	PHP 317,445	PHP 1,236,892
Exchange rate = 41.50		USD 5,256	USD 1,544	USD 6,780	USD 22,155	USD 7,649	USD 29,805

Therefore, the total budget by phase is as follows:

Phases	Cost
Phase 1	USD 16,335
Phase 2	USD 6,670
Phase 3	USD 6,780
Total	USD 29,805

The Lord has given us many resources. It is up to us to share it and meet the needs of our church, brethren, and community. We are praying for funds to come in order to make this dream possible and follow our motto, "When God makes it happen... we make it happen".

Thank you for your support.



Members of Buenavista Church.