

July 1, 2016

Dearest Brother John and Sister Tracy,

I often lift you all up in my prayers asking God to keep watching over you and continuously blessing you with your everyday needs.

We are deeply thankful for all the privileges, blessings and guidance of the Lord as workers in His



kingdom. Of course, there are frustrations, disappointments, feeling overwhelmed, and other negative feelings and thoughts, but these will not keep us back from toiling in the Lord's vineyard. We kneel down in prayer to petition for a renewed heart and mind whenever we are losing our focus as ambassadors for Christ. The people that we see and meet in

our lives who are still outside of Christ are reminding us to stay focused on our mission that they are lost and that God is counting up on us to talk to them about Jesus and what He did so that they can find home eternally in heaven. We feel blessed as we help people with their needs, especially those needs that count for eternity. And there is so much joy that we feel in our hearts when we see them being saved from their sins and are doing all that they can to change their old lives into a sanctified life.

Let us all celebrate with the host of heaven and give all the glory to God for the salvation of 4 precious souls this June. We welcome these new brethren to the family of God, namely, Josiephine



Calaguio, Joshua James Calaguio, Lilibeth Erfilo, and Jolina Barongan. Josiephine and Joshua James Calaguio are mother and son. They were formerly members of the Mennonite church and had been disfellowshipped several years ago. Some of their relatives who were also disfellowshipped from that denominational group are already members of Lord's church. For many years, Josiephine and Joshua James did not attend to any church services although their relatives who are members of the Lord's church are always inviting them to come to our services. Until one Sunday morning, they showed up to the assembly, and after the church services, they approached a

brother in Christ and said that they both wanted to be baptized. They agreed that we will first have a Bible study with them about salvation, baptism, church and other things at their own house. After our Bible study, they willingly decided to be baptized for the forgiveness of their sins. On the other

hand, Lilibeth Erfilo and Jolina Barongan are cousins. They were Catholics before. We got to know them through our hospital visits every month. We first met the parents of Jolina at the hospital. Her mother was hospitalized due to a colon cancer, but she was brought back home because of financial problems. When we visited at their house, Jolina, Lilibeth and others were there. We prayed and studied the Scriptures together for Jolina's mother. However, after a couple of months, Jolina's mother passed away, and we continued to visit and comfort them. When we studied with them again this June, they decided to put on Christ in baptism for the remission of their sins last week in a river at the back of their house. Let us remember these new brethren in our prayers for their spiritual growth.

We appreciate so much all the love, sacrifices, prayers, concern, and support that you are continuously showing and giving to us to keep all this work for the glory of God here.

Our prayers are for you, your loved ones, your congregation, and all the work you do for the Lord.

Yours because of Calvary,
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