

PHILIPPINE MISSIONS



"And in that day shall the deaf hear the words of the book" (Isaiah 29:18).

In June 2023, we moved to Cebu, located in the Visayan Region of the Philippines. There were no Deaf attending UPC churches, in this region, at the beginning of 2023. This month we were in 7 cities, two Islands and districts, three sections, with Deaf Evangelism involvement in three anniversary services, two thanksgiving services, and three youth conferences. There were a total of 46 Deaf in attendance!



The first weekend of December we flew to Bacolod and met nine Deaf for dinner Saturday evening. Sunday morning five of them attended service at UPC Taal. Jorel, a teenage Deaf, returned for additional services.



JOINT SECTION 2 & 3 YOUTH RALLY

Jorel wanted to attend the youth conference in Bacolod at the end of December. We were engaged elsewhere. We asked Jane to fly to Bacolod, attend the conference, and interpret for Jorel. Jane involved her FSL students in interpreting the worship songs. Jorel was baptized during the conference! We will return to Bacolod in February.



TOM PREACHED THREE ANNIVERSARY SERVICES AND ONE THANKSGIVING SERVICE

There were 6 Deaf baptized this month and one received the Holy Ghost. Tom was asked to preach three anniversary services and one thanksgiving service. Three Deaf were baptized after the service in Cebu City. There were 19 Deaf present in two of the services.



December 13th, we attended the first commencement exercises at UPBI in Daanbantayan, Cebu. We are delighted to know that each of these students have been exposed to Deaf Ministry through FSL classes.



Nine Deaf participated in our section youth conference in Danao, Cebu. An additional eleven Deaf joined us for the evening services. Two Deaf were baptized at the conclusion of the conference.

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We want to thank all of you for your love, support, and prayers.
God bless you!

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DEAF AWARENESS SEMINAR IN BALAMBAN, CEBU

We were invited to conduct a Deaf Awareness seminar in Balamban, Cebu. Twelve church members and a Deaf man were there. Pastor Joenar desires to start a Deaf Ministry. He invited Deaf from Danao and Cebu City to his end of the year anniversary service. Billie Jean, who was baptized in November, received the Holy Ghost in that service!

