



## **RICHARD AND THELMA BITUN MISSIONARIES TO THE PHILIPPINES**

**MARVELOUS GRACE BAPTIST CHURCH  
CENTRO 1, RICO STREET, SANCHEZ MIRA, CAGAYAN**

Dear Faithful Partners,

Greeting in the name of our blessed Savior Jesus Christ who is coming again.

### **NOVEMBER 2024:**

Here in our country, we only have two seasons the dry season and the wet season or the hot and the hotter, and the rainy and the typhoon season. The weather bureau names the typhoons by alphabet. After three consecutive super typhoons, Marce and Leon, the one who really struck our town was Marce. Which struck us and it landed right at our city at Sanchez Mira, and left us with blown roofs. Many electrical post down and big trees. A big tree at the Northwest side of our building only 8 meters across the street fell on the front of our building and destroyed it.

Thanksgiving service at the last Thursday of November has always been a big day at MGBC. Not only a time of thanksgiving in the church but an opportunity to invite our local government officials, our Mayor, Vice Mayor and their councilors attended our Thanksgiving. The gospel of Jesus Christ was clearly presented in the said event, and we praise God for some professions of faith.

### **DECEMBER 2024**

We also had a special Christmas service last December, and a time of fellowship with the Church family and their loved ones, where the Biblical message of Christmas was clearly presented.

### **JANUARY 2025**

We adopted the theme "Be Revived in 2025," for this new year. And we give emphasis in soul Winning, The Value of one more soul. I had also opportunities to preach the gospel in Funeral services, the first one was a big crowd. The other one was an from Connecticut married to a Filipina. We also had dedication service for their new house.

### **FEBRUARY 2025**

We cannot start our construction yet for the destroyed part of church building due to the non-stop raining here in our place. At this time, after almost a week, we have good weather, but our regional fellowship decided to hold our family camp here in Pamplona, where our house is and the camp site. We have to prioritize the repair of our gymnasium which was also destroyed during those past typhoons landed in our place.

Please pray for God's provision for our financial needs for this project. Thank you again for your faithful support and prayers. May God richly bless you.

Yours in the mission field,

Richard and Thelma Bitun



**Thanksgiving service with government officials**



**Soul winning**



**Baptism**



**Adult and Youth Banquet**