

**Excerpts from my Email dated Dec. 5<sup>th</sup>, 2010 while in the Philippines.**

God answered my prayers of having my lost passport back and having someone else pay for another ticket for me to go to Manila. **How great is our God!** Not only that but I was upgraded by the flight crew to **Business class** from Vancouver to Narita after the plane was on flight for 1/2 hour. The same crew that saw my distress on Dec. 1st in Narita was flying back to Narita on Dec. 3rd. They all knew about my lost passport.

Now here is how God works in mysterious ways. **I connected with some Christians on my flight from Vancouver to Narita and I told them the story of my lost passport.** **Pastor Cesar Reyes, his wife Lulu Reyes** and an old friend Sally De Luna and I spent some good time in fellowship. I was able to connect with them. Praise God that He brought people around to help and encourage me. I trusted in God to answer the questions of **"Do you really want me to go or not????"** When a clear answer was given **"YES"** I felt God brought others just to comfort me and encourage me. I never doubted that God would provide but somehow I am still amazed how He could provide two plane tickets, passport and companions for the trip plus business class seat. **WOW!!!!**

May 31, 2011

Dear friends and supporters:

I wanted to share with you the above email so that I could share with you how great our Sovereign God is working to help me finalize the plans for Mission 2011 to Philippines. Pastor Cesar Reyes and I exchanged business cards in Narita but we were both very busy in ministry work and did not have a chance to meet or connect while in the Philippines or back in Vancouver. God used a funeral viewing of my friend's mother on April 28<sup>th</sup> 2011 to reconnect us. At the reception, in the funeral facility, Pastor Cesar spoke of his desire to go back and minister more in the Philippines and I mentioned to him about using "Equip To Serve" training materials for discipleship in Los Banos and Makati, Philippines. We met and I loaned him 6 ETS books to look over and also mentioned that in Kenya, the Pastors and Lay Leaders take the courses in Christian School. I also invited him to drop by my Book5 ETS class at Fujian Evangelical Church. Before I knew it, Pastor Cesar invited Discipleship International to Palawan to do a seminars for Pastors and Lay Leaders and he will be there to make all the arrangements.

I also recently reconnected with a former Grace International Baptist Church, Young Adult member who helped start a ministry in Narra, Palawan (1 ½ hrs away from where Pastor Reyes lives) under the Manna Ministry. The ministry suddenly exploded to 60 adults and over 200 children after an Evangelism Outreach in April 2011. My friend was asking for help in discipleship for all these new Christians and workers. I connected Pastor Cesar and my friend together when we met last Monday and again we spoke about "Equip To Serve" discipleship training. **How amazing God works in such mysterious ways!**

Saturday, May 28<sup>th</sup> – DI held a testimony workshop at Fujian Evangelical, praise the Lord many DI Leaders showed up to help students with their testimonies. This is a powerful tool in evangelism.

Yesterday, my Book6 ETS class at Trinity Baptist church was discussing the topic World Vision, Chapter 5.

***“God is concerned individually for all mankind. With the billions of people in the world today, you might wonder how it is possible to have an effective part in communicating God’s love to so many. God’s way for us to do this is to make disciples who will multiply and penetrate all the world.”***

I quoted the verses from ***Mathew 9:37-38*** ***“Then He said to His Disciples, The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Therefore beseech the Lord of the harvest to send out workers into His harvest.”*** I said to them ***“You are the workers; all of us are the workers.”*** The question I ask to all of you is ***“Are you ready for the harvest?”***

#### **SOME PRACTICAL WAYS TO “LOOK” ON THE FIELD (from ETS Book6)**

- ***Use a world map and pray for countries around the world – that people living there would come to Christ.***
- ***Correspond with missionaries –Learn of various mission fields and agencies***
- ***Read missionary biographies, books on missions, and missionary periodicals***
- ***Be alert to your own daily contacts with non-Christians***
- ***Give financially to a Christian worker in another country***

#### **MULTIPLICATION:**

***Praying and giving are two important ways of helping reach the world for Jesus Christ with His Gospel. An even more direct way we can be involved is through our personal witness. Now is the time to begin reaching the world for Christ. We must not wait until we think we are fully trained, or even until we feel a personal call. As Christians we have already been called to this task!***

After studying this portion, one my graduating book6 student said ***“We can do some of this already. We should be doing some of the listed above items already!”*** She felt the urgency for the lost and to reach out to them. That we as Christians should all be reaching out to the lost! I mentioned to her that I have arranged for my friend, a Sunday school teacher to make cards for Canada Day and we will be sending the cards to missionaries abroad and others we would like to encourage with God’s love.

Thank you for your continued participation in prayers and the financial contributions in missions that helped bear many fruits.

Yesterday afternoon, Book5 Discipleship International students from Fujian Evangelical Church and Trinity Baptist Church shared testimony, gospel message using the bridge illustration and an ETS student shared the message about ***“Do not be anxious”*** at Fraserview Long Term Facility in Richmond. The seniors sang from extra large print music sheets and was led in worship by Tess Tonga. We prayed that the relatives visiting their family, the volunteers, the workers at the facility and the seniors felt the love of God in their midst. May God call and draw them to Him.

Please continue to keep the ETS Book6 students in your prayers. Trinity Cares Ministry also invites you to join us in ***sandwich making for the homeless this coming Saturday, June 4<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 pm., meeting at the Bell Room of Trinity Baptist Church at 49<sup>th</sup> and Granville, Vancouver.*** Please also pray for all the DI Facilitators that they are faithful and committed to continue on ***“the harvest is plentiful but the workers are few”***.

In His service,

Chona Borres



Book6 and helpers practicing "The Mission" song for DI Grad  
June 25, 2011



Session 5 of Book6 "World Vision" at Trinity Baptist Church



World Vision studies Book6



Book 5 ETS student sharing her testimony



Left: Sharing the gospel using the bridge illustration;  
Bottom Left- DI Testimony Workshop at Fujian Evangelical Church  
"Do not be anxious!" gospel message by ETS Book5 student

