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After more than 2 months of slumber, the PAFCOE classroom was awakened as students from different parts of the Philippines came in to attend the first class last August 9. New friends, new learnings, new experiences, divine appointments, and miracles surely await everyone.

Manila Center Adventist Church continues to wholeheartedly host and support the program. Its leaders and members warmly welcomed the new batch of students in one of the church's Sabbath services. O what joy it is to see church brethren working hand in hand with PAFCOE in this great work of evangelism!



This batch started up with 18 full-course (4-Months program) students and 25 iShare (12-Sunday program) students. All iShare students are coming from the Greater Metro Manila Area except for a couple who are coming all the way from Cebu City. The couple's business schedule allowed them to join the Sunday program and they did not want to miss the opportunity. As for the full-course students, 9 are coming from Mindanao, 7 are from Luzon, and 2 are from the Visayas.



Most of our students don't have the means to cover their training expenses. Unconstrained, they moved forward in faith believing that God will provide all their needs, even their tuition. Please include them in your prayers.

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It has been PAFCOE's custom to begin the session with a week of prayer. This batch, the theme was "The Armor of God." The whole series was a thorough exposition of Ephesian 6:10-18.

Three teaching staff alternated in delivering the message for 8 nights: Bro. Kevin Pingol, Sis.

Jessalou Luarez, and Bro. Fermin Olila respectively.

Started last August 8, the topics shared every 7:00 to 8:30 PM were: "Enlisting for Battle," "Attitude of Victory," "Stand or Fall," "Belt of Truth," "Breastplate of Righteousness," "Shoes of the Gospel," and "Shield of Faith." Bro. Kevin concluded the week of prayer series by sharing about the "Helmet of Salvation." The last topic presentation was immediately followed by a communion service led by Manila Center's pastoral staff, elders, and deacons.

MORE UPDATES

PAFCOE's Bible Worker Internship Program continues! Presently, there are 6 new Interns joined by 2 graduate bible workers. The interns work in the company of their new head coordinator, sis. Jeamly Caliso.

PAFCOE's graduate bible workers are highly in-demand due to their discipline, efficiency, and enthusiasm in doing their God ordained work.

Currently, the team focuses on nurturing 2 new church plants: one inside the University of the Philippines and another in a newly entered territory, San Juan City. Each bible worker is also doing 25-30 bible studies per week.



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WHAT'S NEW?

The Hargreaves family is on their way to Africa and will no longer handle the program here in the Philippines. Working together with Pastor Joel Sarmiento (Manila Center's Senior Pastor), PAFCOE is now managed by an all-Filipino team headed by Bro. Kevin Pingol (previously outreach coordinator) as the acting director. The challenge is indeed great. Your earnest and regular prayer is dearly solicited. "Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the LORD of hosts." (Zechariah 4:6)









Ladies from left to right: Floramae Dejito (General Office Staff & Assis. Outreach Coor.), Jessalou Luarez (Financial Coor., Sec., Regtr., & Per. Ev. Teacher),
Darlyn Cabarubias (Gen. Needs & Child Ev. Coor., & Child Ev. Teacher), Nemia Fugoso (Kitchen Crew & House Keeping Coor.), Jeamly Caliso (BW Internship
Prag. Coor. & Lady's Dorm Dean); Men from left to right: Kevin Pingol (Director, Health Ev. & Pub. Ev. Teacher), Fermin Olila (Outreach Coor. & Bible Doc. &
Dan. Rev Teacher), Rockie Bahian (Kitchen Crew, Food Marketing Coor., & Men's Dorm Dean), James Herrera (Chief Cook & Baker, PAFCOE Kitchen Head)

With simple facility and equipment, PAFCOE Kitchen officially started marketing the Soy Amazing and Bread as the classes begun last August 9. The leadership envisions this initiative to accept and support working students to PAFCOE in the future. Please include this in your prayers.





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Topic Title	Dedicated	Description
·	Class Period	
The Never Frustrated Plan	2	A Preparatory topic for Outreach Development. Deals with Matthew 20: we see through the calls at different times how the Lord raised up people through whom He could proclaim His plan of salvation to man pointing out the way to his restoration. The topic culminates by leading the students to realize the church's present condition and its need of revival and reformation to finish the gospel work.
Outreach Development	2	Answers the "how" of Revival and Reformation. Aims to lead the students to have a fervent relationship with the Lord, to have a thorough conversion, and to copy the example of Jesus. Focuses on REACHING UP so students can REACH IN and REACH OUT.
Meaningful Bible Study	1	Provides emphasis on the significance of the Holy Spirit's presence, its how and the right attitude towards a Spirit-filled Bible Study. Promotes full dependence to divine leading in studying the Bible.
Bible Study Skills	3	Teaches 4 skills that can be applied in studying the Bible: Question and Answer Skill, Participatory Skill, Experiential Skill, and Structural Analysis Skill respectively. Promotes an in-depth and satisfying study of the Bible.

WHAT'S NEW?

God is leading PAFCOE to give more emphasis on building a deeper personal spiritual experience among its students. "The branch is to be grafted into the Vine, and to abide there, uniting itself to the Vine fiber by fiber, drawing its daily supply of sap and nourishment from the root and fatness of the Vine, until it becomes one with the parent stock. The sap that nourishes the Vine must nourish the branch, and this will be evident in the life of him who is abiding in Christ; for the joy of Christ will be fulfilled in him who walks not after the flesh, but after the Spirit." (ST, April 18, 1892 par. 8} To benefit both iShare and Full-course students and to respond to the Lord's leading, new topics (see table at the left) were added to the personal evangelism presentations.

PAFCOE is also gearing towards strengthening the outreach experience and the nurturing preparedness of its students. The following topics were added to reach these goals:

Topic Title	Dedicated Class Period	Description
Outreach Meeting	2	Time for students to share their outreach experience based on the example of Jesus with the disciples after they came back from their missionary tour (outreach). Aims to build up each other's outreach experience by reasoning together through Biblical Examples.
Learning to Win-Train	2	Personal Evangelism OJT is made even better this time: the student will not only give Bible studies but will also train at least 1 church member in the process through the principles of discipling. These topics aim to equip the students with tools and knowledge to disciple church members to carry on the work of nurturing the newly baptized and to bring in more souls.

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By God's grace, a new church nurturing and equipping program had been developed. The program is called "Marvelous Experience with Jesus – Bible Study and Sharing Seminar." It focuses on two vital aspects of Christian development, Personal Bible Study and Witnessing.

The program has 9 topics and is most ideal to hold on a Sabbath (starts at 8 AM to 7 PM). The presentations are divided in two parts: In-depth personal bible study in the morning and effective witnessing in the afternoon.

The program was first presented in East Visayan Academy, Cebu City. The attendees had a renewed interest in studying the Bible and were hungered for a deeper knowledge of the truth. The group leader also shared that they will begin a witnessing program immediately. This very same result was found when AMiCUS Cebu held the program. Praise to the Lord and exultation in His great working.











MORE UPDATES COMING SOON!!!

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