

# DEC Thank You! Fiscal Report

EXP: \$09,360	INC: \$10,087
Family: \$01,151	Gifts: \$09,925
Ministry \$08,088	Hon: \$00,142
Debt: \$00,121	Interest: \$00,020

**YTD STATUS: 99% (-\$400)**



**Special Projects**  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Library:  
 LABOR/LAND: \$11,000  
 RAISED: \$5005



<b>PICKUP:</b>	3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor Libr.
GOAL: \$9,000	MAT'LS: \$11,000
RAISED: \$5400	RAISED: \$2,615



## ***BLC*** CHILDREN'S EMER- GENCY MEDICAL FUND:

*"For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor so that you through his poverty might become rich." -2 Corinthians 8:9*

**BLC'S MEDICAL FUND IS AN ANSWER TO PRAYER FOR MANY FILIPINOS**

**PLEASE PRAY: FOR GOD TO KEEP THE DECEMBER RAINS FROM COMING ALL AT ONCE: TO AVOID SEVERE FLOODS.**

PROGRES-  
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 OUR 5TH  
 CHURCH  
 PLANT: WE  
 STARTED  
 IN THE  
 MUDDY  
 BACK-  
 YARD OF A  
 FRIEND'S  
 HOUSE...



**THEN WE MADE OUR WAY TO THE FRONT PORCH, WHERE PASSING MOTORISTS COULD WATCH...**

**AND NOW, FINALLY, WE ARE INDOORS, AT A RENTED PLACE, AWAY FROM THE RAIN, THE NOISE, AND THE MOSQUITOES!**



**PRAISE GOD!: FOR THE MANY WHO GAVE TO HELP US MEET BLC'S MORTGAGE PAYOFF DEADLINE 11/30!**

# 2007 Pepper\*

\*PEPPER=Paul and Elvie's Prayer & Praise newsletter

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**A BARNER LEARNING CENTER PRESCHOOLER DANCES TO FILIPINO PRAISE MUSIC DURING OUR ANNUAL UNITED NATIONS DAY.**

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**BLC PARENTS LAY OUT THE MATERIAL FOR THEIR KIDS' UNIFORMS. THE FLOOR OF THE HOME ECONOMICS BUILDING WORKS FINE!**

### THE WOUNDS OF JESUS

*“How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of those who bring... the Gospel!”*

When I took my shoes off, PJ exclaimed, “*Ick! Daddy, what happened to your feet?*” Even though I’ll be running in the Davao City marathon race in December, I haven’t been able to practice for 2 weeks due to a limp from painfully deep sores in my feet. The tropical humidity of the Philippines digs these holes into my feet when I wear socks. Recently, when our Canadian visitors, Rev. Bob and Gwen Kuglin, came to Davao for 9 days, I scheduled over a dozen places for them to speak. They spoke at worship services, prayer meetings, college, conventions and seminars.

Early one morning, after Pastor Bob spoke at one of the prayer meetings, I limped over and said, “*Pastor Bob, I am concerned about my race.*”

*How can I practice, when I am in such pain?*” In response to James 5, this Canadian evangelist joined together the leaders who were nearby, and prayed for my feet. Immediately, I could feel a soothing, tingling “fusing” deep under the skin of my left foot, which was in the most pain of the two. Over the next 3 days, the itching, pain and cuts gradually healed up. Just recently PJ looked at my feet again and said, “*Daddy, where are your scars? I looked at both your feet and I can’t find your scars!*” I told him, “*PJ, look at the cross of Jesus. The holes that were on my feet are now on the feet of Jesus!*”

*Surely, He has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows...by His wounds we are healed.*

## PACKING BIG VERSES INTO LITTLE MINDS

*“Victory in Jesus!”*

I challenged the hundreds of BLC students and their parents from Philippians 2:14 on BLC's Foundation Day. “*Win the prize and look to your goal, Jesus!*” This year is a first. There were so many sports events, competitions, presentations, songs, etc. that we spread the events over the whole week! Finally, just before the awards ceremony, we had the last competition: **The Bible Bee.**

Amazingly, the most impressive memorizers were the preschoolers. Competition was intense. Now, down to the last 3 contestants, and only 3 verses left. Each had already recited, word-perfect, 11 different verses. This was the final stretch. “*Do you know Psalm 23:1?*” I asked the little girl.

With a cute smile, she nodded her head once. Perfectly and distinctly she recited this last verse ...a three-way tie! First, second and third place cash prizes were divided evenly between these little ones who “hid the word in their hearts”.

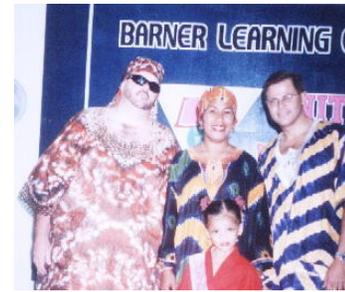
**YOU KNOW YOU ARE A FILIPINO IF...**

*...you prefer that all your food has at least a hint of fish smell or taste.*

**DO YOU HAVE A WINTER PROJECT?**

**THESE ARE SOME NEEDS THAT WE HAVE NOW AT BLC:**

	27 FL lightbulb sets:	\$4 /per
	H2O pump/compressor	\$489
	Jeepney-bus:	\$9,412
	Welding Machine	\$445
	Tables for I.Arts:	\$650
	Tchrs Mailboxes:	\$360
	Wood gym pillars:	\$1,000
	20 Wall fans:	\$45/per



**DURING BLC'S 2007 U.N. DAY, THE STUDENTS DRESSED IN COSTUMES FROM MANY NATIONS, & THE BARNERS WORE OUTFITS THAT WERE GIVEN FROM SOME DEAR NIGERIAN FRIENDS.**

### THE CALL OF MISSIONS

*“People need the Lord!”*

As the music played, the church stage held a dozen women, performing a corresponding drama. In a white robe, one played the evangelist. One by one, “ladies of the night” were presented by actors: druggies, prostitutes, alcoholics and thieves. One by one they were drawn under the influence of the one with the black robe who represented Satan. Yet as the message of the evangelist touched hearts, they cast off their vices and were each given a crown. These then reached out to the others, until Satan was all alone. This performance at church had also been given at the ladies conference recently in Davao. It was joined by our tambourine performers, to the accompaniment of praise music. Of the 16 churches who presented, ours won third place! Elvie, fresh from her missions trip to Thailand, challenged the ladies, “Now that you have shown that you know the power of the message of God for salvation, let's live it through telling others of Jesus!”

### SPECIAL NOTICE

**PLEASE NOTE:** Starting April, 2008, on the tenth anniversary of BLC, international student sponsorships will experience their very first increase, from \$20 per month to \$25 per month. This is due mainly to cost increases and devaluation of the dollar to the peso. We plan to not raise the rates again for at least another decade. Some sponsors have already started giving the new amount. Thank you, and thanks for understanding!