



Turning New Corners

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Greetings Fellow-Laborers,

What a busy and exciting holiday season it has been! While we were taking care of family and delving into busy church life here in California, the ministers on Leyte were hard at work as well preparing for the move-in this month. The Ministry Director, Mylene, will be settling in to the newly completed building on our property! Praise the Lord, it has been a growth process for all involved and we have seen many obstacles overcome with God's help and provision.

Mylene has accomplished much the last two years in the northern Leyte, Tuk-Tuk, area and will be passing on her responsibilities there to young people she has discipled and prepared for such a time as this! It is exciting to see God's recommended method implemented and successful; over 100 kids have been ministered to on a weekly basis, dozens have surrendered their lives to Jesus and several are becoming ministry workers. As Mylene hands things over to the new leaders, though she will be visiting Tuk-Tuk to encourage them and help, would you continue to pray for God's hand upon all that has been started there?

Pictured Above: River TEC has been collecting food, clothing and other supplies and shipping them over to Mylene for use in the ministry.



The new building, on River TEC property in Babatngon, is ready to be occupied and the keys are in Mylene's hands as I write! She is very excited to begin ministering to the locals and bring the good news of Jesus to these neglected areas. She will be joined at the facility by two young adults who desire to serve and continue on their paths of deeper discipleship. As the property produces plenty of rice and provides ample ground for gardens and livestock, we will be almost self-sufficient food-wise and will be a blessing to those in need around the area. Please be praying for His Spirit to prepare hearts and make a way for an outpouring upon these cherished children of His as Mylene and her team reach out over the next few months. We will be taking a team this May (2016) to help on the property, provide medical care and serve at the local Youth Camp for 400 young people. We know it takes lots of prayer preparation and we truly value all you do to help!

It's going to be an exciting spring! If you are interested in joining us on our trip in May, please feel free to contact River TEC by e-mail or phone as we would love to have you along. If you can't make it this trip, please prayerfully consider helping those on the team financially through your generous giving to them personally or to TEC directly. God is making a way in the jungle where there seemed to be no way; however He would lead you, please join with us and be a part of this exciting ministry to the neglected people called Waray-Waray. It will change your life as much, if not more, than it will those we reach.

Blessings, Peace and Passion Upon You,

Pastor Louis Sparks,
President, River TEC

Pictures: The New Building! River TEC board member Jing Delima, Mylene's daughter and Mylene enjoy a first peek at the finished project which she will soon call home. Inside photos show the kitchen area and living space. Interior walls will be installed to provide 2 bedrooms.