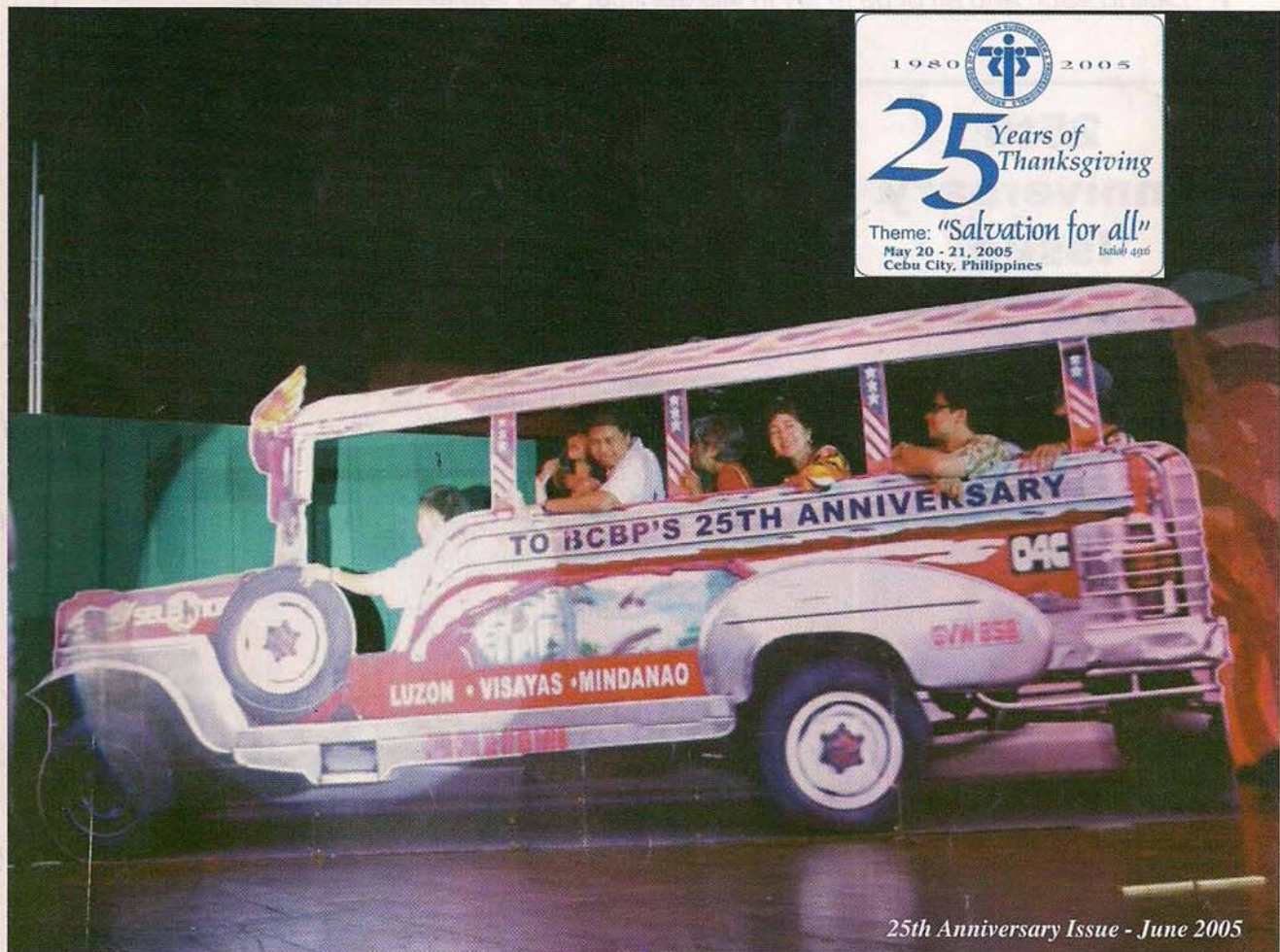


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Celebrating **25** Years of
Thanksgiving

Looking ahead . . .

The BCBP has just celebrated its 25th anniversary, a significant milestone in its existence as marketplace evangelists. We feature sharings, reflections, pictures and impressions of last May's celebration in Cebu to record this grand event in BCBP's history.

At the same time we look forward to the coming years with articles on the four major focus areas that resulted from NSPR 3: Marketplace Evangelization (MEP), Ecoreach Advocacy, Leadership Formation, and Family Life Programs.

Celebrate. Reflect. Prepare with expectant faith for the future. Our Lord is calling each and all of us to joy in His service! See you at the Breakfast!

- Editor

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BCBP at 25: Thankful Hearts and Renewed Spirits

When our family travels long distances by land I always look for the kilometer posts which indicate how much farther it is to the next town or city. There is always that feeling of excitement as we near our final destination. The kilometer posts mark the progress of our journey as these also tell us how much we have traveled from our point of origin.

The celebration of our 25th year as a community gives me the same feeling. We have grown from our small beginnings in 1980. Imagine around 30 men rehearsing and conducting the first breakfast in the Makati Sports Club. Today we are about 35,000 members strong and we find ourselves expending time and resources into efforts beyond building our community and marketplace evangelization. Truly the Lord God has moved and inspired the BCBP Community for the last 25 years.

Our anniversary theme, "Salvation for all," I believe, delivers a strong two-fold message to all of us. We are brought to the realization that the gift of salvation has been offered and accepted. Our Lord God in His infinite goodness and mercy has delivered us from the clutches of sin and apathy. He has called us individually and as a body to love and serve one another, to carry out His mission, and to share His providence with our less fortunate countrymen. For this, our hearts overflow with gratitude.




Manolet M. Siojo, BCBP National President & Trustee. He is a member of the Editorial Board and regularly writes in the Kapatiran under the "BCBP Way of Life" column.

At the same time our theme poses a great challenge. Salvation for all means just that. Our theme lifted from Isaiah 49 means liberation not just for us in the Brotherhood but liberation for all. And not just liberation from spiritual hunger but from emotional and physical hunger as well. For we who have been brought into the light are called to do the same for others. We can do no less.

Like warriors taking a short respite from the battle, we come together to rest a while, to share our presence with one another, to draw strength once more from each other. Tomorrow we again put on the Lord's battle gear of prayer, hope, love, service and the Holy Spirit. Tomorrow we again engage the enemy.

Brothers and sisters, it is indeed a time for celebration. Let us take this opportunity to reflect on what the Lord has given us. We are humbled and thankful. But we are also coaxed in again asking God, "Lord, you have given me much, what do you want me to do for you?" Let us not cease in praying for God's blessings and protection for our community. Let us ask God to continue directing and inspiring the BCBP with His Holy Spirit.

With my wife Carla and the rest of the Management Committee and the Board of Trustees I join you in praising and thanking the Lord for the 25 fruitful years He has given us. We ask for the courage to accept His commission. May the coming years bring us joy and peace as we continue to serve Him.

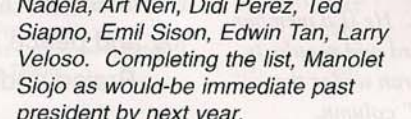
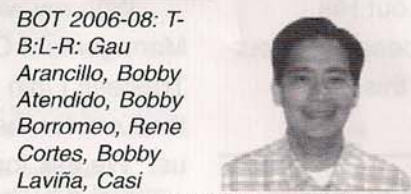
Praise and Glory be to our God! 

BCBP Leadership Formation: *Shepherding the Shepherds*

By Manolet M. Siojo, National President

A Christian author once wrote: “The responsibility of Christian leaders is to raise other Christian leaders.” This is clearly one of the BCBP’s major thrusts in the next five years. The Management Committee and the Board of Trustees gathered for the 3rd National Strategic Planning Retreat last February to discern the directions of the community. One of these is: “**The BCBP will implement an intensified formation program for leaders and members.**”

Apart from our prescribed BCBP Curriculum, BCBP leaders at all levels can now expect to undergo a separate leadership track which will cover knowledge, attitudes and skills needed for productive servant leadership in community. We will evaluate and improve current programs to further enhance first, our personal spiritual growth. This will mean aligning our personal mission statements with the vision and mission of the BCBP as well as deepening our relationship with God as His disciples. Secondly, we will enhance our abilities to care for our members and facilitate their personal spiritual growth. Every BCBP member is a potential leader; in line with this we will develop a more reliable tracking system to monitor the growth path of each BCBP member.



We aim to increase awareness and participation in pro-poor initiatives. Fr. Jojo Magadia SJ has said, “If we have the patience and the humility and the courage to walk with the poor, we will learn from what they have to teach us what we can do to help them.”

The BCBP Community has grown and accomplished much in the last 25 years. We owe all this to our Lord who has provided us with committed leaders who have given their valuable talents and time to the community. It is He who ultimately qualifies His leaders. This was so clear when He assured Moses in the Book of Exodus, “I will be with you, go then! It is I who will assist you...”

With this same assurance we welcome with great pride and joy the members of the new Board of Trustees who will be serving the community from 2006 to 2008 as the guardians of the BCBP vision and mission as well the keepers of the BCBP Way of Life. We promise them our love, prayers and support and say, “*God’s flock is in your midst; give it a shepherd’s care, so that when the chief Shepherd appears you will win for yourselves the unfading crown of glory,*” (1 Peter 5:2,4) 

BOT 2006-08: T-B:L-R: Gau Arancillo, Bobby Atendido, Bobby Borromeo, Rene Cortes, Bobby Laviña, Casi Nadela, Art Neri, Didi Perez, Ted Siapno, Emil Sison, Edwin Tan, Larry Veloso. Completing the list, Manolet Siojo as would-be immediate past president by next year.

My “AHA!! Moments”



I have just gotten back home from celebrating Fathers' Day with my family. I must say that one of the highlights of today was my “AHA!! Moment” when I realized during the mass that the timely themes of justice and honesty and peace surround not just Gloriagate nor just what fathers should model but also reflect the BCBP's effort at helping the poor rise from their poverty through the ECOREACH program.

The BCBP's ECOREACH program combines the best features of the Grameen system and ASA model with following encouraging results:

- we have a 100% collection efficiency- I don't think any bank can match this kind of record.

- since we started to pilot this program in 2002, we have been able to help more than 1,300 nanays (and therefore, households) with total loans amounting to more than P6.6M.

- at an average of 6 persons per household, we have helped generate supplemental income for at least 7,800 persons.

All this has been achieved with volunteer work and donations by a few generous individuals from among the BCBP members. Can you imagine what we could do, how many we could help, what funds we could turnover if everyone in the BCBP heeded the call for help!

I find it sad that a few members do not want to support this program because they say it has been tried and found wanting, that it is “*luma na*”. However being the action-oriented BCBP members that we are, I believe it's imperative that instead of just criticizing, we creatively improve whatever is “*luma na*” and actively support this initiative to uplift the poor in our society.

I think the sharing (page 17) of the Executive Director of BCBP Ecoreach says it all: in the end, when things have to be done and people have to be helped to be able to taste even a small amount of justice and peace, the BCBP member will volunteer and say, “*E di ako!*”

And the result will surely generate many “AHA!! moments”



Bobby Laviña is President of the BCBP Ecoreach Foundation, Inc. and is concurrently BCBP Vice President and NSC for PSD. He was re-elected as member of BCBP Board of Trustees 2006-2008.

BEGINNINGS

Rev. Fr. Herbert Schneider S.J. BCBP Spiritual Director

"There are no coincidences in the vineyard of the Lord. Everything and even the most chance encounters can become for us divine appointments. If we follow the leadings of the Holy Spirit courageously with faith in the growth potential of mustard seeds, we will see



sometimes quickly and at times more slowly the development of his mighty works in our midst. The BCBP as it exists today after twenty-five years is the result of such divine appointments met with faith and trust in the Holy Spirit by countless members and leaders."

Pre-history

Ang Ligaya ng Panginoon Community began in 1975. It grew out of three prayer groups: a large charismatic prayer group that used to meet at Assumption College in San Lorenzo, Makati, a smaller prayer group from Palanan, and members from a faculty-student prayer group at the College of Engineering of the University of Santo Tomas. By the late 70s, the community began to realize that prayer group members found it difficult to come into community. Most of them were married women without their husbands. It became progressively clearer that the community needed other ways of evangelizing and bringing people into community.

One thing I have discovered in my thirty years of community service. The Lord has always provided the insights, the learning, the resources, and the skills needed for a new stage in the growth of the community or for whatever was needed at the moment. I have experienced the faithfulness and love of the Lord in his providing for me whatever was needed for my service. Let me share with you how the Lord began to guide us step-by-step toward the formation of the BCBP.

The Ann Arbor Connection

From 1977 onward, the community entered into a relationship with the Word of God Community in Ann Arbor, Michigan. Community leaders, myself included, traveled

to Ann Arbor yearly between 1977 and the early 80s to observe and to receive help in how to build community. These trips were made possible through the kindness and help of Larry de Larrazabal, who was at that time with Pan Am and got our leaders low-fare tickets to the US. On our trip in 1979, I had the opportunity to attend a businessmen's breakfast there sponsored by the Word of God Community held at a restaurant called Mr. Steak.

If I close my eyes, I can still see the place. The restaurant had a function room in the basement. On one side was long buffet counter, on the other side were wooden tables with benches. By the counter was a coffee urn. There were greeters at the door to welcome people. At the beginning we were all standing around talking to one another informally with coffee in our hands. Then we all sang a song, accompanied by the music ministry. This was followed by an opening prayer blessing the food. Then we all went through the line to get our food and sat down. There was an MC who oversaw the procedures and made sure that the breakfast stayed within a set time frame. Some good jokes were told, newcomers introduced themselves and then as most people were finished with breakfast and were on their second or third cup of coffee, someone gave a personal testimony about how he had found a new relationship with Jesus Christ. Finally,

after some announcements, a prayer of thanksgiving and a final song, the breakfast meeting came to an end.

Serendipity

It was as if a light had suddenly exploded in my head. I saw the potential of such a breakfast for finding and bringing men into the Ligaya Community. We had a large number of businessmen in the community already and through them, we could easily put up such a businessmen's breakfast. It was clear that business people and professionals were the type who were already exercising leadership and responsibility in their respective jobs. Business people and professionals were tough. Without such hardihood and toughness they would never have arrived at the level of responsibility in their job. The Lord needed such professionalism, leadership, and toughness for the work in his vineyard. I talked over the experience with the other Ligaya leaders who were with me in Ann Arbor and we decided then that we would try it once we were back home again.

The Men's Breakfast

Back in Manila we brought together a group of businessmen and professionals from the community and discussed with them the idea of a businessmen's breakfast. Among these were Sal Estrada, retired but formerly with Ayala Corp., Denis Isidro, VP of City Bank, Mike Joseph, Sr., with the Makati City government, Larry Gamboa, professor at AIM at that time, Mike Joseph, Jr., and another 30 or so businessmen and professionals. We

decided to go ahead. For a month we practiced putting on a businessmen's breakfast at the Makati Sports Club with Mike Joseph, Sr. as our MC. We did not invite anyone from the outside. We used it to train the MC, the music ministry, and sharers. We also wanted to make sure that we could end on time so that those attending would be on time in their respective offices.

The breakfast was modeled on that of Ann Arbor. People were welcomed and received nametags. Promptly at 7 am the MC had everyone stand for the blessing of the food and a song. Then breakfast was served. A short time into breakfast, the MC would share with the group a good joke or would call on members to share such jokes. A little later, new comers were asked to introduce themselves. At a quarter to eight, the sharer was introduced for his 30 min sharing. At 8:15 the MC or someone else would give a short response to the sharing. This was followed with announcements, a closing prayer and a final song. By 8:30 the breakfast was over. Then we would spend about half an hour critiquing our breakfast. How did the MC do? Did the music ministry choose the right songs? Did the sharing really give glory to God?

We ran about four such breakfasts just for ourselves without anyone from the outside till we were satisfied that we had it going well. Then came the big day, when the members were called to invite guests to the breakfast. It was understood that they would pay for their guests.

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BCBPers from all over the country filled the entire ballroom.

Brothers and sisters, we are all here today in celebration. It all started with the breakfast that Fr. Herb together with a handful of strong men put together in Makati 25 years ago. Allow me to tell you the story of how that breakfast grew to be the kind of breakfast that we now have today.

The Spirit of the Lord Is in the BREAKFAST



**Louie Morales, BCBP Alabang
Former National
President of the
BCBP**

Like myself, all of you will not be here if it were not for the breakfast, isn't it? Many of you, I'm sure, were hoodwinked or arm-twisted just to attend the breakfast.

But you know, as Fr. Herb said, the Lord will always find a way for you to go to the breakfast. In my case, the first time I was invited to a breakfast was in 1983. A friend who was with the Ligaya targeted me. Every Monday, two days before the breakfast in Makati which was on Wednesday, he would call me to go to the breakfast. I always found excuses not to attend. At that time I was riding high at the top of my career; I was the chairman or president of several advertising entities. I convinced myself that I didn't have time for this kind of foolishness. But every Monday my friend continued to call and my secretary was running out of alibis. At some point I asked my secretary to investigate what this breakfast is all about. And true enough, my suspicion was right. It was one of those "Praise the Lord Alleluia thingofmagigs!" And I was sure, so I thought, that that's not the kind of thing for me.

Then one time I answered the phone and my friend said to me: "Louie, mamamatay ka na, mag-breakfast ka na!". Finally, I said yes, but

told him I was going just to take my breakfast. I would not stay and listen to any talk.

So I went. When I arrived at Makati Sports Club, I saw there all the biggest sinners of Makati! "Lahat ng mga makasalanan ng Makati nandoon sa breakfast, kasama na ko don!" But then I just played along and when asked to introduce myself, I said: "I'm Louie Morales, I'm here because my breakfast is free." I returned to my seat near the exit and planned to leave once they started singing.

But then I heard somebody talking to me and calling me. I said, "Lord, I'm not ready for this yet. Leave of absence for one year muna ko." "Di pa nga member nag li-leave of absence na!"

I advise you don't dare the Lord on your real promise because He'll take you up on it, like he did me. Exactly one year to the date in July of 1984, I just happened to see another friend in Greenbelt. We exchanged pleasantries and then out of the blue my friend said "There's already a breakfast in Alabang." When I heard that, I felt a chill in my bones because I live in Alabang.

That Saturday, I attended the Alabang breakfast, all by myself, with nobody inviting nor sponsoring me, and I paid for my breakfast. There I saw that the same sinners in Makati were now

in Alabang! So as it happened, I went to my first real, honest-to-goodness breakfast in Alabang and simply found myself returning to the Alabang breakfast every Saturday. Things started to change. I knew the Holy Spirit was already working on me.

Initially, the Alabang breakfast was an unauthorized breakfast opened by the “sinners” of Makati. It had no permission from the head of the community then, Mike Joseph. That’s when the moniker “wild horses of the south” came about.

My only *mistake* in all of these was when I joined the music ministry. One Christmas time, we decided to hold for the very first time a “joint breakfast” and invited our wives to attend. We concocted a semblance of a presentation with the highlight performance by a ragtag all-male choir, me included. No one in that group was a singer not even a pretender. We were so nervous that in our prayer we even asked the Lord to shut the ears of the audience. After we had sung the last refrain of “You Are Near”, everybody was silent. I said to myself, “This is it, *tapos na tayo.*” Then slowly, Mike Joseph stood up and started to clap, and the rest of the audience followed. Mike Joseph even started to cry, I don’t know why. He then announced that all of us in the choir would have to attend the next CLP in Makati. So that’s what the breakfast can do to you.

After the CLP we were assigned to an action group. But the usual AGMs, assemblies, singing and all that became too common for me. I started to fidget and become restless. “Is this all there is”? I asked myself. If there’s one thing I really

learned to love in the Brotherhood aside from the breakfast, it’s my prayer time. I prayed but still I yearned for something more.

After two years, when the National Council decided that the BCBP should intensify its evangelization thrust, they created the position of a mission director and I was appointed to that position. All of a sudden the burst of the Holy Spirit came! I stand here before you testifying to the power of the Holy Spirit who worked in us when we did our mission work. Despite having no formal training, no manuals to read, not even having the appropriate resources and logistics, the Holy Spirit provided everything that we ever needed. We only had to say “Yes” and the Holy Spirit did the rest. Let me cite to you an example.

*...the breakfast is inspired
 by no less than Jesus Christ
 himself.*

After opening a breakfast in Cebu we scheduled a CLP to be conducted. On the day the CLP was to start the airport flight controllers went on strike. There was no way we could get to Cebu on time. At the airport, we were in panic but faith kept us hopeful. We prayed and called Sadi Saguisag in Cebu to just prepare everything, we would be there. Minutes later, I met a friend from PLDT who said that Fr. De Grandis was flying to Cebu. “But there are no flight controllers,” I said. He replied, “We don’t need them, we have our own plane and, one of our passengers got sick.” So I arrived in Cebu on a private jet to start the CLP. Can you beat that! I’m sure many of you have a similar story to tell. The Lord will provide for He said: “Go and make fishers of men.” All we have to do is “go” and He will give us the resources and the power.

And so it came to pass that other cities in the Visayas and Mindanao as well as in Metro Manila and Luzon were opened for Brotherhood Breakfasts. And in the coming 25 years or so, we hope to hear the BCBP “Good morning” in the languages of different nations. **☞ p 22**



Just like many of you, I too, was a “coerced” first time breakfast attendee. My friend Wency Redito persistently invited me to attend a BCBP Men’s breakfast.

I had reasons not to attend the breakfast. First, I considered myself unqualified to be with such an obviously religious undertaking having had very limited Catholic education. Next, I lived in Sucat. It was so impractical for me to battle my way through traffic down to Makati just to attend a breakfast then struggle back to my work in Sucat.

But the Lord gifted me with joy and warmth of the fellowship, a love of Christian music and the inspiration from the sharing that are all experienced during a breakfast. And so in March 1982 I became a regular breakfaster in Makati Sports Club, the one and only venue then.

The Birth of Cebu Mission Hub

I was barely a few months in the BCBP in July 1983 when I found myself in Cebu working with TMX Phils. In Cebu, I truly missed my BCBP activities especially the breakfast. To sustain my dwindling spiritual life, I joined various religious activities and different prayer groups. I even joined a group that organized the Adelphos, a group of Cebuano businessmen and professionals whose main activity was a monthly dinner fellowship.



**Sadi Saguisag, BCBP Parañaque
NSC Mission**

The Lord must have seen the gnawing thirst in my heart for the BCBP breakfast and other activities, for He set the stage for the Brotherhood to be introduced to the land of *lechon* and *dangit*. In 1987 a sister from Manila in Cebu on job assignment said to me: “Tito, why are you here in Cebu? I’m sure the Lord brought you here for a purpose.”

Then in January of 1988, the F.I.R.E. rally was held in Cebu with Fr. Herb Schneider attending. I convinced him that it was time to start a BCBP breakfast in Cebu. And the story of Cebu as the BCBP mission hub in the Visayas began.

It was on a Monday, the 29th of February 1988, that the BCBP Men’s Breakfast was launched at Club Filipino, Cebu City. His Eminence Ricardo Cardinal Vidal was the special guest and Rey Datu of Alabang was the sharer. The first BCLP in October of that year graduated more than 20 participants. While this was going on, the wild horses of the south - the Alabang mission team went on to open BCBP breakfasts in Bacolod City and Puerto Princesa. And then by March of 1991 Cebu was installed as a full chapter.

Fully alive with fire still brightly ablaze, the BCBP Cebu mission team had a sense from the Lord to “cast and spread the net widely.” To confirm this sense, while in Manila on a business trip I met with the National Council and showed them a map of the Philippines indicating the marketplaces where BCBP should be. My big mouth led me to be appointed as Deputy Director for Visayas and Mindanao. The Metro Manila chapters had the same sense that I had. Thus the marching order was given and the evangelization thrust of the BCBP became nationwide.

Cherish the

BREAKFAST

*Like a wildfire the
 BCBP in the next 5 years spread and
 opened 26 outreaches.*

**In the next 5 years,
 1991-1995, 26
 outreaches were
 opened:**

4 in Metro Manila:

Las Piñas, Rizal,
 Parañaque, Pasay/
 Villamor

3 in Northern/Central
 Luzon:

Baguio, Tuguegarao,
 San Fernando, Pamp

2 in Southern

Tagalog:

Cavite, Lipa

1 in Bicol:

Legaspi, Mactan,
 Tagbilaran, Dumaguete

3 in Leyte:

Maasin, Tacloban,
 Ormoc

2 in Negros

Occidental:

Victorias, Silay

2 in Panay:

Iloilo, Roxas

6 in Mindanao:

Cag de Oro, Iligan,
 Davao, Butuan,
 Valencia, Ozamiz.

**From 1996 to 1999,
 there were 18
 outreaches
 opened:**

Camanava, Manila,
 Santiago, Calamba,
 Lucena, Sorsogon,
 Tubigon, Calbayog,
 Catbalogan, Baybay,
 Bacolod split,
 Kabangkalan, Cadiz,
 Kalibo, Malaybalay,
 Surigao, Tagum,
 Dipolog, Pagadian,
 Zamboanga.

**During Louie
 Morales'
 incumbency as
 President, from
 2000 to 2002, 38
 outreaches were
 added:**


Marikina, Laoag,
 Sn Fernando (LU),
 Angeles, Bulacan,
 Cabanatuan,
 Olongapo, Tarlac,
 Batangas, Biñan-San
 Pedro, Calapan,
 Imus, San Pablo,
 San Jose, Daet,
 Naga, Puerto
 Princesa split,
 Balamban, Bantayan,
 Bogog, Cebu split,
 Consolacion,
 Mandaue, Talisay,
 San Carlos, Siquijor,
 Tagbilaran split,
 Biliran, Borongan,
 Catarman, Sogod,
 Bacolod East,
 Boracay, Cag de Oro
 split, Digos,
 Gen Santos,
 Gingoog, Oroquieta.

**And from 2003 to
 date, 22 outreaches
 have been opened:**

Tondo, Urdaneta,
 Bayombong, Candon,
 Gen Trias,
 Sta Rosa, Tanauan,
 Cebu Central, Bais,
 Dumaguete split,
 Talibon, Hilongos,
 Palompon, Estancia,
 Molo, Talisay,
 Maramag, Panabo,
 Ipil, Kapatagan,
 Southern California,
 Northern California.

Targeted for the balance of this year (2005) are Pasig, Aparri, Balanga, Gumaca, Sablayan and Balayan which will bring to 121 the total BCBP locations by year end.

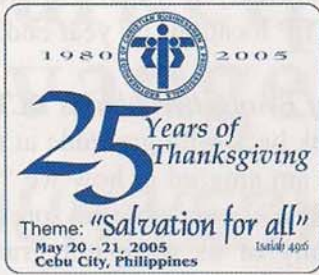
The Work of Evangelists, that is BCBP

As I look back with gratitude at the Lord's goodness, I am amazed at how we "unlearned fishers of men", were able to spread the net widely. Many of us were not graduates of exclusive Catholic schools and had just learned leadership in the streets, barrio or school campus. Unlike today, we had no manuals or formal training on mission other than the CLP and breakfast guidelines. The boats during those days were not the clean and efficient SuperFerry and Supercat. Imagine the long land treks from Makati to Legazpi, from Manila to Tuguegarao, sea travel from Cebu to Nasipit to Davao, from Tagbilaran to Cebu to Dumaguete, And some members of the mission teams were not only spending their time and talent but their own money as well even sacrificing family and livelihood for the mission. I recall Bro Ed and Sis Bebe Banaag left family and work every Thursday or Friday for 6 months to serve in the Davao mission. Joe and Heidi Coruña also left the best days of their medical practice for about 3 months to serve in the BCLP in Davao. But the Lord abundantly provided for their needs. How were they able to accomplish so much if not for the guidance and wisdom of the Holy Spirit?  p 23

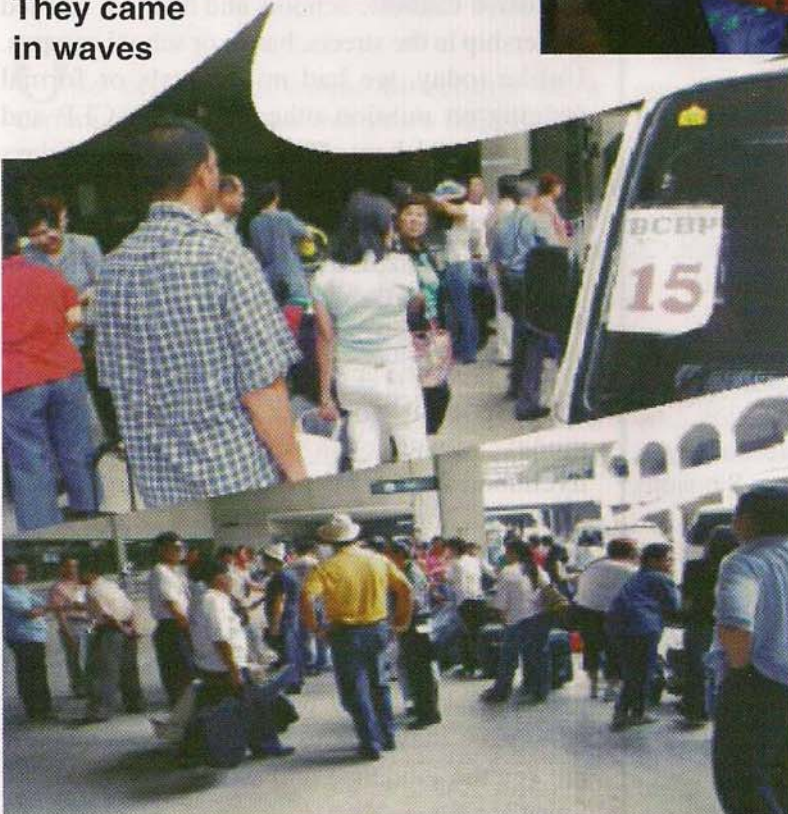
**Today there are 115 locations
 composed of 53 chapter/CITs and
 62 outreaches:**

	<u>Chap</u>	<u>Outs</u>	<u>Total</u>
Metro Manila	10	2	12
Luzon	12	22	34
Visayas	22	24	46
Mindanao	9	12	21
Subtotal	53	60	113
California	0	2	2
TOTAL	53	62	115

The ARRIVALS
 Here they come!

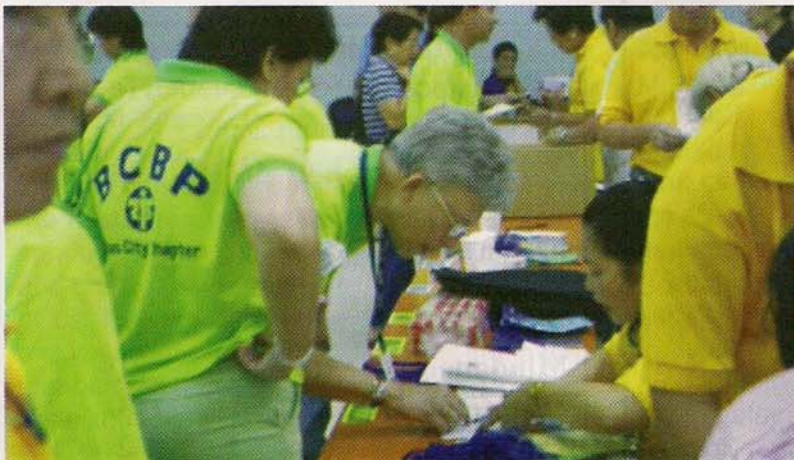


**They came
 in waves**



▶ *The 25th anniversary is the Brotherhood spirit personified. A classic example of unity amidst diversity!* - Nelson Dauz, Cebu

▶ *God's work is never a failure. The logistic problem of Cebu is for me a simple test addressed to all of us by our Lord. That it's not just a celebration but also a question: "Now that you are 25 years old already, what is the level of your spiritual growth?"* - Topy Vasquez, Makati



They wanted to get the best seat and register immediately. "Get that name tag, your meals depend on it!"

The SPORTS: Some came earlier to whack!



And drive and putt! And the winners are...



Donning their chapter's T-shirt, BCBPers went to the first main event



▶ Insufficient planning. **I** ▶ It had some imperfections
 Friday dinner was poorly **M** but generally was one of the
 planned. Saturday was **F** best celebrations yet in 25
 better. Flaws maybe due **F** years of BCBP. Truly, like
 to sheer large volume of **R** a good feast, God blessed
 attendees. But overall I **E** the occasion and the hands
 say, Congratulations! God **S** that prepared them so that
 bless. - Jing Zaldariaga, **S** “We who came to partake of
 Cadiz **I** the meal, are filled to the
 While others **S** brim”, enough to sustain us
 scrambled to register **S** all for the next 25 years! -
 to get a better seat. **S** Rene & Nonee Cortes,
 Parañaque.

The PRAYER & WORSHIP ASSEMBLY



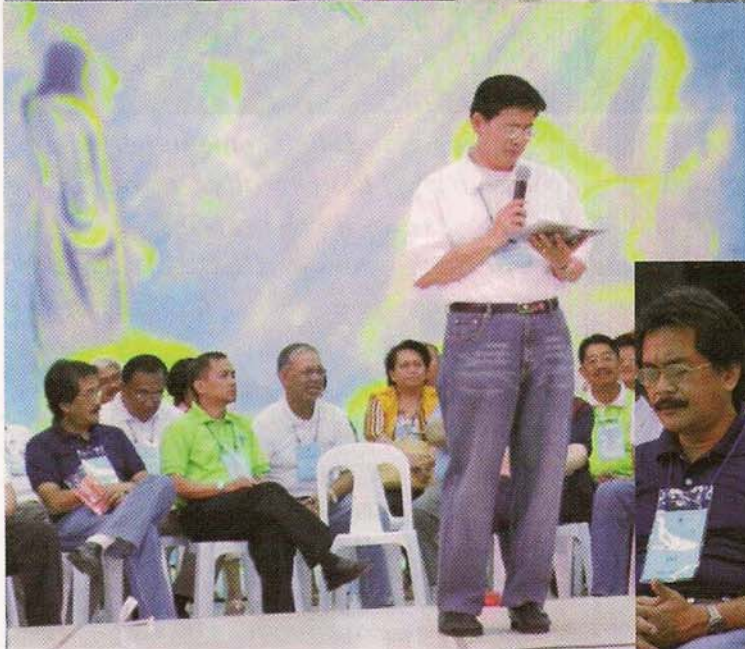
The place filled with an array of colors.

► Oh how the BCBP community has grown. It's a lifetime experience to meet brothers and sisters from all over the country. - Joe Juele, Cadiz City Outreach.

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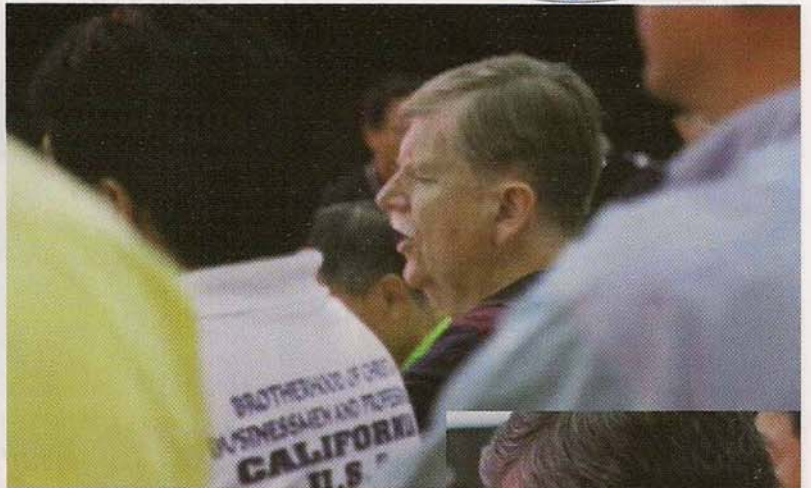


And the music began to play.
Then it was time to pray, and feel His presence and love.

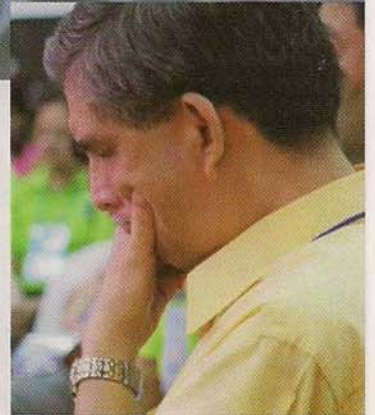




▶ Spiritually amazing!
 - Bobby Borromeo, Iligan



▶ A feeling of oneness. But sad to say tears fell from my eyes on the first day of activity at SM as I remembered and prayed for my bedridden wife.
 - Leonel Horvidalla, Bacolod North



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▶ What an outpouring of spirit and grace during the prayer and worship assembly on the 1st day! You could feel it in the air, He was there! Ann Olalo, Mactan

▶ The Lord always reminds us of His immense power as He manifested His presence with us in Cebu and He made everything right. It was indeed a perfect encounter with Him and His BCBP flock. Mabuhay sa host and the BCBP family - Dofel and Lyn Bañares, Legazpi



▶ The experience makes you feel "ful-filled" being part of the Brotherhood. God bless. - Mayong Rodriguez, Ormoc



**Then the FUN & FELLOWSHIP
 BEGAN!**



► It was a Spirit-filled and joyful celebration. Food was plentiful and tasty. Presentations proceeded like clockwork. Great job.

- Bobby Atendido, Alabang



► Fantastic! The breakfast, sharers and the program were marvelous & very well prepared. Kudos & thanks to all host chapters' bros/sis. Your unselfish contribution had made our 25th anniversary truly great. More blessings! - Dodo Omictin, Dumaguete North

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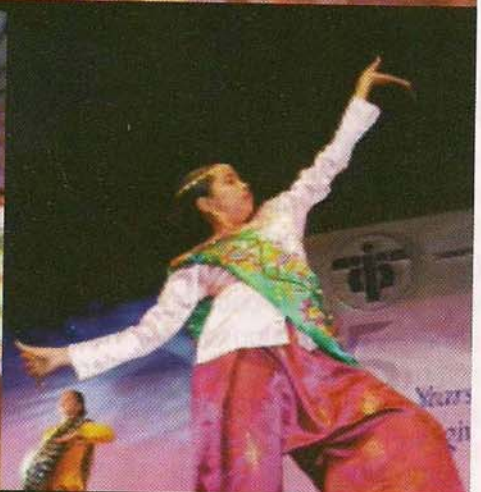
► Amazing! Food was abundant, events started on time, fellowship program was well planned. For a moment you'd think you were in a corporate event and not just another BCBP convention. Then you realized that it's an event properly orchestrated with love and dedication all for the glory of the "Number 1 CEO." - Rina P. Rodriguez, Ormoc



Suddenly the stage was filled with colors paraded by all BCBP regions. A marvelous cultural presentation!



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25
Years of
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Marketplace Evangelization

OUR VERY CALLING



Angel Sabas, RCD Southern Tagalog

One of BCBP's major directions as a community for the next five years (NSPR III) is our focus on marketplace evangelization. We call it the Marketplace Evangelization Program (MEP). Truly, the Holy Spirit's work is ever present for when could be the most relevant time for our community to focus hard on evangelization of the business milieu - than today. And I cannot help reflecting that basically, when one thinks of the BCBP, it is about putting Christ in the world of business - that's where we are, our niche in the vineyard, our very calling.

I remember back in '92 when I was invited (more like coercion to me then) by my boss, Orly Neri, to attend a casual 'business meeting' of some sort in one of our conference rooms over at our old Coca-Cola Manila plant. There was some singing by a group of people who looked like professionals like me (I later learned that they were the mission team of BCBP Alabang) followed by a short, quite interesting, and light talk about God. A few more songs followed, then it was over in about an hour.

That very simple gathering that one Saturday afternoon changed my life...

That afternoon 'encounter' changed the conduct of our business in the company and blessed it. A BCLP immediately followed. Over the next three years, a total of 3 BCLPs were conducted with a total of 64 middle managers and company officers being baptized. I know all of us in those batches have been blessed in one way or another. I know for a fact that a great number of us in those 3 batches of BCLP are now actively serving in each one's chosen

renewal community as leaders. Those three short years also dramatically changed how we did business then, and it was the start of so many blessings for the company from then on. I'd like to believe that most of the business practices and the modes of conduct that continue on to this day in our company are products of the work of the Holy Spirit, brought about by that Business Evangelization Program (BEP) in '92-'94. I just can't stop marvelling about the magnitude of changes that the BCBP as a community started in our company 13 years ago. The ripple effect of goodness and graces continues on.

Looking back, I am forever grateful to our brothers who ventured to come to our company and to do what they did - armed just with faith in their hearts, they 'cast their nets' like Peter, and trusted in God to do His will. As God would have it, and by His grace, I am one of those so blessed and called by the Lord that afternoon (thank you, Father). I would never have come to know Him otherwise and I would have missed the chance of knowing and serving Him up to now, where it not for those brave guys from Alabang who just listened and obeyed the Master's call to come and evangelize us.

I honestly feel that more and more businessmen and professionals in companies all around us are praying for the MEP to come to their doorstep. Jesus said, "Cast the net on the right side of the boat and you will find some." So they cast it. Their catch was so great the catch almost broke the net. John 21:6.

Any of you guys going to some company's conference room one of these days? Be sure to count me in. **K**

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“Eh di ikaw!”

“Its not how much we give, but how much love we put into giving.” - Mother Teresa

When I retired in December 2003 from UCPB after 25 years of continuous service, I looked forward to having my own business. I had spent a third of my lifetime working up the ladder while adjusting to what seemed like never-ending administrative changes, UCPB being a sequestered and government-controlled bank. *Ayoko nang maging empleyado*, I thought. It’s about time I became my own boss – a just reward if one could call it that – after years of employment. But God had other plans....

The first quarter of 2004 saw me talking to friends in and out of the community, soliciting ideas that I hoped would spark a business opportunity. No such luck. To keep me busy, I drove Sunta around as she took care of her “hobby” - trading in RTW. Once a week, she also asked me to take her to an area in Las Piñas....for some evangelization work for Ecoreach.... she would say. I was vaguely aware of what was going on during those weekly trips, and she always exuded a certain joy as I picked her up afterwards.

Then one day, Sunta inquired how I would feel if I were asked to manage Ecoreach’s operations. “*Bakit ako?*” was my immediate reaction. “*Naghahanap ako ng mane-negosyo, di ba? Parang wrong timing naman yata!*” “*Eh wala ka pa naman daw ginagawa sabi ni Tigs,*” came her reply. “*Tatawagan ka raw ni Bobby Atendido tungkol dito.*” Thoughts of casual conversation I overheard from community elders crossed my mind, as she said this. “*Kapag wala nang ibang makuha sa service,*” said one, “*si Eddie ang inaasahan.*” “*Sinong Eddie?*” asked another... “*Eh di ikaw!*”


And so I officially became *Eddie* (formerly *Elvis*) on April 12, 2004. A quick review of operations and

subsequent meetings with the Development Officers made me realize that foundation work could be enjoyable.... But the irony of what lay ahead was not lost on me. Whereas before, I called on clients in five-star hotels or boardrooms to negotiate multi-million peso credits, Eco-reach now required me to enter alleys or humid shelters to discuss P2,000 loans. Business proposals shifted from evaluation of tons of mine reserves or bulk cement to kilos of *galunggong*, *itlog ng pugo* or *paa ng manok*. Hard collaterals and clean lines turned into *abuluyan*. Corporate attire gave way to casual, everyday get-ups.

But these ironies pale in comparison to the fulfillment I have each time I interact with the *nanays*. The way they welcome me into their homes... the way they show their gratitude for the loans, albeit small, extended to them...or even in the simplest of things, like smiles on their sometimes-toothless faces.

And so it has been a year since I joined Ecoreach. I must say I have not regretted at all my decision to accept the service. In fact, it has even taught me to remain humble. Who wouldn’t be, if one were always exposed to the squalor that government seems to neglect?

One of the verses of Romans 12 says, “Do not be proud, but accept humble duties...”

I have stayed....and I pray that I can still continue.... God willing. 



Joji de Rivera is from BCBP Alabang and serves as Head of the Family Encounter Program. An AB Economics graduate and MBA candidate of Letran College, he was the Vice President of Assets Management Division of UCPB until his retirement in December 2003. Joji is married to Sunta, they have 2 children.

The BCBP 25th Anniversary in Cebu will be long remembered for the size of the attendance, for the Spirit-filled prayer assembly, for the tremendous presentations, for the monumental effort it took to manage such an event. We talked to THE man on the spot, the person who received the most calls before, during and even after the event, Nelson Dauz, RCD for Cebu.

Kapatiran: What's your general impression on Cebu Region being chosen as host of the BCBP Silver Anniversary?

Nelson: Without any doubt, I believe that it was a "Divine Appointment". I believe that Cebu is ripe and has the necessary ingredients to handle a big national event such as this.

First, Cebu is strategically located making it very convenient for most participants. There are four chapters in the region ably led by competent and mature chapter heads and, whose membership are to me responsible enough to tackle the job. And also, it is no coincidence that "Sinulog," a festival commemorating the entry of Christianity in the Philippines, is also celebrating its 25th year anniversary this year. We envisioned that the BCBP members attending would be treated to two celebrations all in one place.

K: What are some major difficulties you encountered in hosting the anniversary?

N: A brother told me in jest, "Nelson, it will be a statistical nightmare to handle a big event like our anniversary." True enough, from start to finish we encountered difficulties:

1. There were cases of miscommunication about reservations, bank deposits, transportation, accommodation and the presentations.

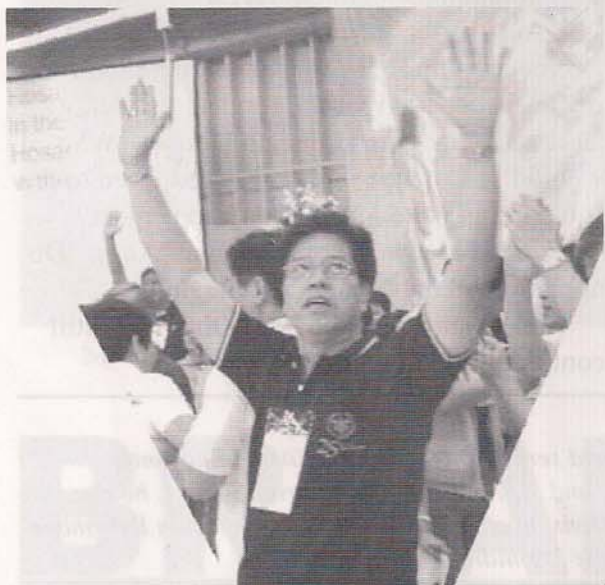
2. Sponsors refused to support us due to, according to them, "low-key exposure".

3. Fear of the unknown. We always asked ourselves, "What if the number of participants exceeded the maximum capacity of the venue?" But the actual number of attendees was just within the maximum capacities of the venues we chose for the events. God truly knows what is best! And what if after all our preparations there

DIVINE APPOINTMENT

INSIGHTS ON THE BCBP's 25 YEARS OF THANKSGIVING

Nelson Dauz, BCBP Mactan, Regional Council Director Cebu Region



would be unsatisfactory comments? Here, I was reminded of the comment given by one of the senior members when he said: "We can only do so much. No matter how much we want it to be perfect, it will never be. Because if it is perfect then there will be no place for the Lord to come in." I shared this wisdom with the committees but in the same breath cautioned them not to be too complacent.

Despite these difficulties, many attendees have expressed their feelings that the joy of being together to celebrate the anniversary was just overwhelming! That's the spirit of Brotherhood, isn't it?

4. There were also some difficulties and misunderstandings between and among brothers and sisters in the working committees but I helped them realize that whenever we do God's work, especially in such a big anniversary celebration, the "other side" will always distract us. And more often than not, it's the relationships that are target. Praise God that we were able to overcome such obstacles!



BCBP 25th ANNIVERSARY ATTENDANCE

PRE-REGISTERED:

Metro Manila North	109	North East Leyte & Samar	286
Metro Manila South	269	South West Leyte	162
North East Luzon	30	Cebu	775
North West Luzon	76	Tagbilaran/Dumaguete	103
Central Luzon	22	Negros	75
Southern Tagalog	174	Panay	236
Bicol/ Palawan	158	East Mindanao	351
		West Mindanao	233

ON SITE REGISTRANTS	155	TOTAL	3,214
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K: *What are the sweetest lessons you learned?*

N: I am truly amazed that:

1. When we, servants, are not concerned about who gets the credit or who is to be blamed, we can accomplish so much.

2. When we focus on what is common among us and not on our differences, that we can achieve more. After all, we are here because we want to serve God, nothing more, nothing less.

3. When we accept (the responsibility) we are nothing without His grace. It is then that we find strength to give our best.

4. Prayers. Prayers and more prayers. Truly, nothing will beat prayers during these difficult periods. (I never prayed as much in my whole life as I did during the anniversary preparations!)

K: *Any parting words:*

N: I wish to express my profound *gratitude* to the MANCOM for their trust and support. But most especially, I would like to



thank all the Cebu Chapter Heads, the Anniversary Committee Coordinators (ACC) Chairman, Leo Limgenco, the various Service Heads and all the servants for their valuable contributions in making this celebration a huge success.

It is said, "The highest reward of service is not what you get out it, but what you have become because of it." Truly, to serve God is a privilege we must always cherish. **K**

Family Life Programs: An Essential Instrument for Evangelization

Life is growth. It is therefore a logical consequence that anything that has life follows a certain course of growing. Although biologically speaking an organization such as the BCBP does not have life, functionally it is alive. Consequently, BCBP, having a life, has to grow, move forward and adapt to the changing times. It cannot afford to be stagnant nor move backwards otherwise it will wither and die.

Indeed this principle of life and growth has been manifested by the BCBP throughout its 25 years of existence. The Brotherhood is continuously moving forward.

The latest movement/growth that the BCBP is looking forward to, is dictated by the results of the NSPR III last February 12-13, 2005. The national leaders of the BCBP met to pray and ask the Lord what direction and priorities the Brotherhood should take in the next five (5) years.

The prayers and discussions of the national leaders resulted into four (4) priority areas. One of these refers to Family Life, and I quote "Document, organize and implement a family life program under a specific ministry in the Formation Directorate. When necessary or

desirable, we will collaborate with other communities/organizations who have the expertise in this."

I have always believed that Family Life Programs are an important ingredient in the Brotherhood way of life. Although membership in the Brotherhood is a voluntary commitment, family life remains and has always been a permanent commitment of BCBP parents. There should

never be any conflict between these two commitments. And this is clear to and accepted by all BCBP members, as the desire for family programs' implementation has grown through the years.

Because of these desires for a Family Life program, a good number of chapters in Metro Manila and in the provinces, most specially the older ones, undertook lengthy discussions on how to implement such programs included Children's Formation, Young Adults, Singles and Parenting. The issue was not whether or not such programs were necessary for this had been clearly established already. The contention revolved around two major concerns:



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1. How to implement these Family Life Programs in a way that complements the Mission and Vision of the BCBP.
2. How to incorporate and blend these programs into the activity schedules and Way of Life of the BCBP.

A plausible answer to these questions can be deduced from a couple of talks that Fr. Herb Schneider, BCBP Spiritual Director, has given.

First, in 1997, during the BCBP national anniversary celebration in Cagayan De Oro, Fr. Herb talked on the Issue of Globalization and how the BCBP can undertake steps to adjust to this eventuality. He cited that one of the negative effects of globalization is to expose uncompetitive and inefficient companies and businesses and render them irrelevant in the marketplace. Fr. Herb continued that if these firms are owned by BCBP members or if BCBP members work in such companies, then the BCBP members including their families would be greatly affected by these setbacks. And the difficulty of evangelizing in such a marketplace becomes apparent.

In this a scenario, Fr. Herb recommended that the BCBP members involved, including

can evangelize and invite businessmen and professionals in their workplaces, it becomes even more significant if they can evangelize people in their neighborhoods, schools, etc. by witnessing as a family.

I believe Fr. Herb had pointed out the complimentary relationship of Family Life Programs and the Mission and Vision, particularly evangelization, of the BCBP. Family Life programs can basically help members care for their families and fulfill their permanent commitment to God. At the same time Family Life programs can also help the members in witnessing to their children who are future BCBP members. And through the members and their families' witnessing to people other than their colleagues, they become a conduit by which other families may opt to embrace a new life in Christ (evangelization).

I have seen this work and am a witness to its effectivity right here in the chapter where I belong, Quezon City. Since 1994 we have included the Family Life Programs in the activity schedules and Way of Life of the chapter. Today most of the children, including my eldest son Miguel, among those who took the first Youth BCLP, have now finished their

“... it is perhaps even more significant if they can evangelize people in their neighborhood, schools, etc. by witnessing as a family.”

their children would have to undergo training and re-orientation to allow them to deal with the impact of global competition. Such training programs should tackle not only the economics of the matter but should also emphasize the importance of preserving family relationships amid such reversals. Ultimately, Fr. Herb concluded, the training should enable the children to have the necessary wisdom and values so they would be able to cope with such scenario. For as it should ideally be expected, the children too would become future members of the BCBP.

Secondly, in December of 2000 or 2001, Fr. Herb in his homily in the sectoral First Friday Mass recommended a new evangelization strategy for the BCBP. He said that although it is good that BCBP members

schooling and have joined the work force of society. Significantly, our children, too, have taken the BCLP of the QC chapter voluntarily 2 years ago, become regular members and are serving together with Janet and me in the Family Life Ministry of the Chapter.

Further on, we have had a number of teenagers whose parents are not BCBP members who have joined our Crossroads Retreats and CLPs for the youth. This is the direct result of our children witnessing to their barkadas or peers. This is true testimonial of how the family programs can harness the evangelization potentials of the BCBP. With these focused efforts, the BCBP membership can be harnessed to fulfill the NSPR 3 mandate to have a strong Family Life apostolate. **K**

BEGINNINGS

The Businessmen's Breakfast

It was a very special and blessed day that first breakfast for businessmen and professionals. Our practice paid off. Things went well. We were able to start on time and end on time. The sharings were well prepared. Guests came back and brought others with them and paid for the breakfast of their guests.

Please note at that time in 1980 we did not think of a BCBP. We had a breakfast to attract businessmen and professionals to the Lord. Our idea then was that periodically we would run a Life-in-the-Spirit Seminar for those who were interested in a deeper relationship with the Lord. We would only invite those who had become regular at the breakfast and the invitation was for them and their wives, if married. After the LSS we offered those who wanted more to come and investigate becoming part of Ang Ligaya ng Panginoon Community.


Toward the BCBP

The breakfast members kept on growing. People responded very well to the LSS and many did enter the community, but there were also more and more who did not join Ligaya ng Panginoon. In fact, the community because of its own limited pastoral resources, could only take in a relatively small number

from the breakfast. The community also brought members in from Couples for Christ, which had been started by Ligaya in 1981 and from the University outreaches.

Then we became aware of what I would like to call "the revolving door syndrome". Although we had plenty of new people coming to the breakfast, we really did not increase in numbers, because older breakfast members no longer came. It was then that we realized that more support for living as disciples of Jesus was needed for the men who came to the breakfast and for their wives and families. In response to that need steps were taken that would lead to the Brotherhood of Christian Businessmen and Professionals as we have it today, but that story will be told by others.

I want to end by giving thanks especially to the Lord for bringing me to the men's breakfast at Mr. Steak in 1979. I want to thank him for all those faithful servants of his, who gave of their time and resources to make the breakfast at Makati Sports Club possible way back in 1980 and who faithfully attended and willingly shared their love for Jesus with so many others. I am absolutely convinced that even after 25 years of growth and development the BCBP is not yet at the end of the journey of becoming that faithful servant of the Lord, because the Lord can do immeasurably more than we can think or imagine through the power already within us, which is the same power by which he raised Christ Jesus from the dead.

Praised be God! 


The Spirit of the Lord Is in the BREAKFAST

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In conclusion, let me say that the spirit of the breakfast is the Spirit of the Lord. Nothing else. Those of you who have gotten tired of going to the breakfast, please go back. Every time you go to the breakfast, no matter how lousy the sharing is, rest assured that there will always be a thought, a line, a word in the sharing that will touch your heart because the Spirit of the Lord

speaks to us through the breakfast. We go to the breakfast not for the sharer but because we want to listen to Him. The Lord is the true Spirit of the breakfast.

Come to the breakfast and invite more people. The Lord said to Peter, "Just cast your net." He is saying the same thing to each and everyone of us: "Cast your net and bring these people to the breakfast." The breakfast is our net. And the Lord gave us the breakfast so that there will be a Brotherhood.

So brothers and sisters, don't forget the breakfast! Go to the breakfast for the Spirit of Lord is in the breakfast. Good day. 



made initial negotiations with the hotel and restaurant associations in Palawan for catering services.

The Palaweños, headed by the triumvirate of newly installed PP - South Chapter Head, Gerry Abrogar, PP-North Chapter Head Sonny Camposano (as of this writing recommendations for a new chapter head to replace Sonny have already been submitted to Mancom) and BOT Edwin Tan, have already created 21 working committees with Ed Ahorro as

Overall Coordinator. Recommendations for the Anniversary Theme have been submitted to the Mancom for consideration. And finally, they already have a date - the 26th BCBP National Anniversary will be held on May 12-14, 2006.

So, do you want to see the underground river, crocodile farm, beautiful greens, eat the freshest seafood or have a taste of authentic Vietnamese cuisine, frolic at Honda Bay and visit the cleanest city in the country? Get ready then because the Palawenos are ready for you! **K**

Getting Ready

"The right time has come for BCBP Puerto Princesa Chapters to be the next host after Cebu's hosting of the 25th National Anniversary." So the Puerto Princesa Newsletter proclaims.

Indeed, they are ready. The proponents have already written Mayor Edward Hagedorn for the early booking of the newly constructed Puerto Princesa Coliseum - a 4000+ seater air-conditioned venue. They have already determined that at present the total number of hotel rooms in the city can accommodate more than 5,000 persons. And they already

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Cherish the BREAKFAST

When my wife, Ester and I went to the USA in 2003, I wished to meet some BCBP migrants for action group meetings and fellowship. The Lord granted my wish and He used us to "reconnect the lives" of our brothers and sisters in California. Thus in 2003, going global made a "breakthrough". Last year BCBP Southern and Northern California breakfasts reached full outreach status. Last month, Northern California launched a Men's breakfast and plan to conduct their first BCLP in July/August this year.

I have seen that many of our committed leaders and members are those who have faithfully attended the breakfasts. Not only because of powerful sharings, inspiring songs, warm and joyful atmosphere, but because they are the ones who look forward to and consider the breakfast as a *Date with and a unique gift of the Lord to the BCBP*. Again I encourage you, the gift that you have received, give as a gift. Let's cherish the breakfast.

To God be the glory **K**

BROTHERHOOD BREAKFAST VENUES

CHAPTER/OUTREACH	VENUES	DAY	1ST	2ND	3RD	4TH
<u>METRO MANILA NORTH</u>						
METRO-WIDE	MAKATI SPORTS CLUB	WED			J	
CAMANAVA	Max's Restaurant, EDSA, Kal	SAT	S	M	J	M
GREENHILLS	Club Filipino	THURS	S	J	M	M
QUEZON CITY	Max's Rest, Scout Tuazon	SAT	S	M	J	M
	Stepsaperp	SAT	-	-	S	-
RIZAL	Manila East Golf Club, Taytay	SAT	M	S	M	J
MARIKINA	McDonalds Sumulong H'way	SAT	J	M	J	M
<u>METRO MANILA SOUTH</u>						
ALABANG	Ayala Alabang Country Club	SAT	M	S	M	J
LAS PIÑAS	KFC Alabang - Zapote Rd	SAT	J	M	-	M
MAKATI	Max' Restaurant, Glorietta 3	WED	J	S	M	M
MANILA	Orchidarium & Butterfly Pavilion, Rizal Park	FRI	J	S	M	M
MANILA NORTH	Chowking Puregold Mall, Tayuman	SAT	J	J	J	J
PARAÑAQUE	Max's Restaurant, Sucat	SAT	M	J	M	S
PASAY/VILLAMOR	Villamor Golf Club Greenside	SAT	J	M	S	M
<u>NORTHWEST LUZON</u>						
BAGUIO	Prime Hotel	SAT	-	J	M	S
DAGUPAN	Regency Hotel, De Venecia H'way	SAT	J	S	M	M
LAOAG	Palazzo del Laoag	SAT	-	J	-	J
SAN FNDU-LU	Sea & Sky	SAT	J	J	-	-
<u>NORTHEAST LUZON</u>						
TUGUEGARAO	Hotel Roma	SAT	M	J	M	S
SANTIAGO ISABELA	Oye's Diner	SAT	M	-	M	-
BAYOMBONG	Saber Inn & Restaurant	SAT	-	J	-	J
<u>CENTRAL LUZON</u>						
ANGELES	KM 86 Food Rest, Sta. Maria, Balibago	SAT	J	J	J	J
BULACAN	Max's Restaurant, Guiginto, Bulacan	SAT	J	J	J	J
CABANATUAN	Royce Motors Canteen, Maharlika H'way	SAT	J	J	J	J
OLONGAPO	Ann Raquel Restaurant, Magsaysay Blvd.	SAT	J	J	J	J
SAN FNDU-PAMP.	Villa Conchita Resort, Olongapo Gapan	SAT	J	J	J	J
TARLAC	Nay's House, Romulo St., Tarlac	SAT	-	J	-	J
<u>SOUTHERN TAGALOG</u>						
BATANGAS CITY	Alpha Hotel	SAT	-	J	-	-
BIÑAN-SAN PEDRO	Max's Restaurant	SAT	J	M	S	M
CALAMBA	Riverview Resort & Conference Center	SAT	J	M	S	M
CALAPAN	Parish Hall Calapan Cathedral	SAT	-	J	-	J
CAVITE CITY	Pat's Restaurant	SAT	-	-	J	-
DAET	Stroll Cafe & Restaurant	SAT	-	J	-	J
IMUS	Rojonet Aquinaldo H-way, Imus Intrscn	SAT	J	-	J	-
LIPA	Luntian Restaurant, Lipa City	SAT	M	S	M	J
LUCENA	Halina Hotel & Restaurant	SAT	M	J	M	J
ROSARIO	Servato's House Restaurant	SAT	-	J	-	-
SAN PABLO	Coco Palace, Nat'l Highway	SAT	J	-	J	-
SAN JOSE MINDORO OCC	Sikatuna Beach Hotel	SAT	-	M	-	L
STA. ROSA	Twin Dragon Palace Restaurant	SAT	M	M	M	J
TANAUAN	Darasa Fiesta Restaurant	SAT	J	-	J	-
<u>BICOL-PALAWAN</u>						
LEGAZPI	Hotel La Trinidad, Legazpi City	SAT	-	J	-	S
NAGA	Champagne Garden Mayon Ave.	SAT	J	-	J	-
PALAWAN NORTH	Legend Hotel	SAT	S	-	J	-
PALAWAN SOUTH	Barcelo-Asturias Hotel	SAT	-	M	-	J
SORSOGON	Jollibee Sorsogon	SAT	J	-	-	J
<u>CEBU REGION</u>						
BALAMBAN	Balamban National High School	SAT	-	J	-	M
BANTAYAN	Bantayan Southn Inst. Social Hall	SUN	J	-	J	-
BOGO	Marcella	SAT	J	-	J	-
CEBU NORTH	City Sports Club, Ayala	SAT	J	M	S	M
CEBU SOUTH	Sacred Heart Ctr, D. Jakosalem	SAT	J	S	S	M
CONSOLACION	San Narciso Church	SAT	J	-	J	-
MACTAN	Majestic Restaurant	SAT	M	J	M	S
MANDAUE	Mc Donald's, JY Square, Lahug	SAT	M	J	S	J
TALISAY	Chowking Talisay	SAT	-	M	-	J

BROTHERHOOD BREAKFAST VENUES

CHAPTER/OUTREACH	VENUES	DAY	1ST	2ND	3RD	4TH
<u>TAG/DUMAGUETE</u>						
BASIS	Bros Haven	SAT	-	M	-	J
DUMAGUETE NORTH	Bethel Guest House/	SAT	J	M	S	-
DUMAGUETE SOUTH	Plaza Ma. Luisa	SAT	J	-	M	-
SIQUIJOR	Garden Orchid, Larena	SAT	J	-	M	-
SAN CARLOS	Carmel's	SAT	-	J	-	M
TAGBILARAN NORTH	JJ Seaford Village	SAT	-	J	S	M
TAGBILARAN SOUTH	Bohol Tropics	SAT	-	J	S	M
TUBIGON	PPC Hall	SUN	-	J	-	J
<u>NE LEYTE & SAMAR</u>						
BILIRAN	Country Inn Hotel	SUN	J	-	J	-
BORONGAN	Esadel	SAT	-	J	-	J
CALBAYOG	Bread Mix	SUN	J	-	S	-
CATBALOGAN	Maqueda Bay Hotel & Restaurant	SAT	J	-	J	-
CATARMAN	DCC Annex	SUN	-	J	-	J
TACLOBAN	Agus Restaurant, Real St., Tacloban	SAT	S	-	M	J
<u>SOUTHWEST LEYTE</u>						
BAYBAY	Angelicum School	SUN	-	S	-	J
MAASIN	Ampil Function Room	SUN	J	-	S	-
ORMOC	Pongos Hotel	SAT	-	J	S	J
SOGOD	Parish Center	SAT	J	-	-	-
HILONGOS	-	SAT	J	-	J	-
PALOMPON	Palompon Institute of Technology	SAT	J	-	M	-
<u>NEGROS REGION</u>						
BACOLOD NORTH	Quan Restaurant - La Salle	SAT	M	M	M	-
	Jollibee - La Salle/Casa Noble	SAT	-	-	L	J
BACOLOD SOUTH	Bacolod Exec Inn	SAT	M	M	M	-
	Mc Donalds - Lacson/Casa Noble	SAT	-	L	-	J
BACOLOD EAST	BCBP Activity Center	SAT	M	-	M	-
BINALBAGAN	Kabisig Food Center	SAT	-	J	-	J
CADIZ	Zaldariaga Pavillion	SAT	J	-	J	-
KABANGKALAN	Variable	SUN	M	-	-	-
	Snackee Restaurant	SUN	-	-	J	-
SILAY	Palamintuan Restaurant	SUN	-	M	L	M
	Palamintuan Restaurant	SUN/QTR	-	-	J	-
VICTORIAS	VMC Fastfood/Marjhuns Rest	SUN	-	M	-	J
TALISAY	3R's Restaaurant	SAT	M	-	M	-
<u>PANAY REGION</u>						
ILOILO	Amigo Terraces Hotel	SAT	J	M	S	M
KALIBO	Nazareth Home	SAT	J	L	J	L
	Rich Rest	SAT	-	M	-	M
BORACAY	Tropical Guest House Stn 3	SAT	J	J	J	J
ROXAS	Pizza Junction, Rizal St.	SAT	-	M	-	M
	CAP Auditorium	SAT	J	-	J	-
	President's Inn	SAT	-	L	-	L
<u>MINDANAO EAST</u>						
BUTUAN	Luisiana Convention Center	SAT	-	J	-	J
CDO EAST	Mindy's Restaurant	SAT	M	M	J	M
	VIP Hotel	SAT	-	-	-	L
CDO WEST	Vip Hotel	SAT	M	S	J	M
DAVAO	Royal Mandaya Hotel, Davao City	SAT	M	S	M	J
DIGOS	CAP Building	SAT	-	J	-	J
GEN. SANTOS	East Asia Royal Hotel	SAT	J	-	J	-
GINGOOG	New Lanes Rest. along National H-way	SAT	-	J	-	J
MALAYBALAY	House Malibu	SAT	J	-	S	-
SURIGAO	Gateway Hotel	SAT	J	-	J	-
TAGUM	CAP Bldg. Tagum City	SAT	-	J	-	J
VALENCIA	Taipan Restaurant	SAT	-	J	-	S
<u>MINDANAO WEST</u>						
DIPOLOG	Top Plaza Hotel	SAT	-	S	J	M
ILIGAN	Al Fresco Resort & Restaurant	SAT	M	J	M	S
OROQUETA	Lumantas Garden	SAT	-	J	-	J
OZAMIZ	Royal Garden Hotel	SAT	M	-	J	-
PAGADIAN	That's Diner Restaurant	SAT	-	J	-	J
ZAMBOANGA	Alavar's Seafood Restaurant	SAT	J	-	J	-

Be HONEST

Even if others are not
Even if others will not
Even if others cannot

"He who walks honestly walks securely"

Proverbs 10:9



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