

# THE Tulabots

MISSIONARIES TO THE PHILIPPINES

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## 20TH YEARS OF SERVICE IN METRO MANILA

Twenty years ago, the Lord moved us to begin a new ministry in Metro Manila. Prior to this, the Lord enabled us to plant church in the province of Pangasinan, build a small chapel for the congregation, and turn it over to another pastor. The move was overwhelming since we were country folks frightened of the crowds and crimes of the big city. But God had a greater purpose for our big step of faith. Since then, God has prospered the work in different areas.

### CHURCH PLANTING

There are seven daughter churches started from our church in Fairview

- Bethesda Independent Baptist Church (BIBC) in Marikina is pastored by our first convert Pastor Mike Tabugan and his wife Vivien.
- Jesus Saves Bible Baptist Church – Manila
- BIBC – Valenzuela (pastored by our eldest son David)
- BIBC – Tandang Sora (pastored by our graduate in the Bible college whose wife Melissa was one of our first converts in the church)
- BIBC – Holy Spirit (pastored by one of our first converts and graduate of other Bible institute Pastor Armstrong Sibbaluca and his wife Jane)
- BIBC – Novaliches pastored by our former Bible college volunteers Ramon and Marlyn Briones
- BIBC – Old Balarra, a new work headed by Pastor Arden and Sis. Conaida De Pano

Indeed, the field here in Metro Manila is great. Our vision is to start a church in every community in our particular area of Quezon City, which was 140 communities we call Barangays. Each community has several hundred thousand residents who need the gospel. We now have a pastor in every major district of our city, and we are continuing to win souls and are training more laborers who will start satellite churches within the districts. Please pray for this great endeavor.

### KIDS CHURCH

After the pandemic, we sought to strengthen our ministry in the landfill. The Lord provided a stronger structure that we hope will help us grow in the coming years.

In the feeding ministry, we focus our efforts in evangelism. We have 360 children regularly attending this program every Saturday where they are fed a sumptuous meal (soup) and taught the Word of God.

Although this ministry has been very fruitful, we have struggled in bringing these young people to our main church. We have lost young people when they reach early adolescent period because of the different types of dangers in the environment (abuse, human trafficking, drug trafficking). To better address the needs of the kids and to train them to consistently come to church on Sundays, we founded the Kids Church both in Payatas (landfill community) and in the church in Fairview. This is separate from our Sunday morning Sunday school. Praise God that for the past year, the Lord has blessed and we consistently minister to an average of 100 young people ages 10-12 years old. Every week, we serve these kids a good meal and also substantial Bible lessons that will prepare them as they enter their teenage years. We pray that God will use this program to enable us to instill the love of God in these young people in spite of the evil environment around them.

### Ministry Spotlight

Two products of the ministry here in the church are Pastor Armstrong and Jane Sibbaluca. This couple were both saved as teens and baptized in our church during the early years of our ministry. After attending our Bible institute, they went on to complete their graduate program in the States and are now planting a church in one of the key districts of Quezon City. In spite of their meager support, they are faithfully laboring for God's honor and glory.



God is good.  
Arvin & Ruth Tulabot

On Jan 2, 2023, at 11:49 PM, Arvin Tulabot <adtulabotbethesda@yahoo.com> wrote:

Absolutely! This will save us a lot of time and money. Thank you for this info.

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