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Salvation Testimony

Almost two years ago, I invited a pastor friend from another town to come and speak at our church for Anniversary Sunday. That pastor had an old friend who lived here in Davao City and he asked if I would visit him. His friend Tony had been saved many years ago, but had been out of church for a very long time. When I met Tony, he was living with a lady friend named Mona. They began to visit our church, and Mona received Christ through hearing messages preached during the services.

As Becky and I began to help disciple this couple, we answered many questions from Mona. The Christian life was all new to her, as she had grown up in a Catholic home. Through the Holy Spirit's guidance, Tony and Mona began to see that living together was not God's plan for them; so Tony moved back to his home and they both started a long, complicated process of getting married. Both Tony and Mona have tremendously grown in the Lord, and have been active members of Mt. Apo Baptist Church.

Mona became burdened for her family's salvation. She traveled to where each of her siblings live and shared the gospel with them. Her sister accepted the Lord shortly after Mona did, and she has faithfully attended one of our graduate's churches. Mona's brother, on the other hand, just wasn't ready to accept Christ as his Savior. About two weeks ago, her brother became very ill with a kidney problem. He was in a hospital ICU for several days. Mona went to visit him and she was able to lead him to Christ. It just blesses my heart to watch God change lives!

Davao Baptist Bible College Graduation

This year's graduation commencement service was held in October because of our family being on furlough during the normal time of graduation in the Philippines, which is at the end of March. A total of five students graduated this year; three with a Bachelor of Pastoral Theology degree and two with a Christian Education degree. This was the largest graduating class so far of DBBC. Two of these students will stay for a while on staff at MABC in order to gain more knowledge about the ministry; one will go back to work at his home church; one plans to help another DBBC graduate with his ministry, and the last is finishing up a music degree. Each of these students have been a joy to work with, and we expect that the Lord will use them in a mighty way.

Thank you for your prayers and support. We must include that in every letter; for without you all "back at home" holding the ropes, we couldn't minister here.



Eddie Trimble