

MAY-AUGUST 2023

TIDBITS @ GATEWAY

After serving eight years as Bishop of the Philippines, in January 2023, Alan and Ammabelle Bacus joined the FMWM-Asia missionary team as international missionaries. They will assist the Asia team in prayerfully exploring opportunities to launch house churches in targeted gateway cities across Asia while also working toward expanding campus outreach to young adults, a successful strategy launched during Alan's term as bishop of the Philippines. FMWM Asia anticipates Alan and Ammabelle's spiritual influence will enhance the area-wide vision of influencing one million Asians toward Jesus.

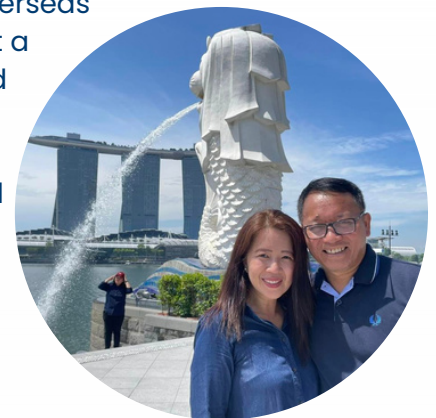


May-June, 2023

While praying and preparing to attend the relevant and significant Church Planting and Biblical Preaching Training at Siem Reap, Cambodia, the airline made a communication to us that instead of 8 hours, the lay over in Kuala Lumpur is extended up to 15 hours. It must be a God ordained lay over because we have established connection and casting of vision to a Filipino FM member named Phenjie who have invited our team to his shop and house and now willing to lead a movement in Malaysia. He said, "I prayed to have a FMC in this place several years ago, and now God has answered my prayers."



First visit to Singapore was great, Overseas Filipino Workers were excited to start a movement and a godly man named Mark who works in a computer company accepted the challenge to take the lead. We have scheduled online sessions for mentoring and prayers with him. Would appreciate your prayers for Singapore and Malaysia as God is beginning to establish a movement and we have joined with Him in this move.

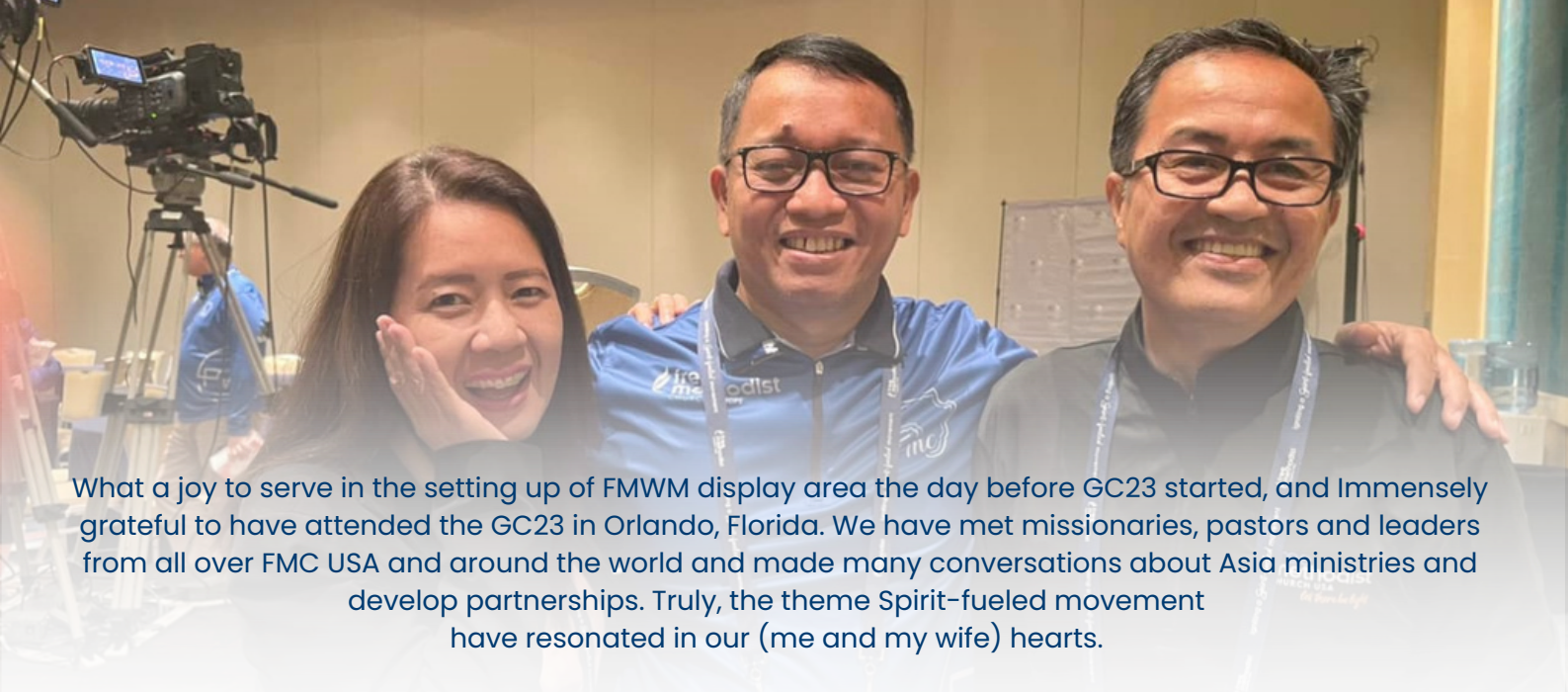


July – August, 2023

All-Asia Missions Night was held at Crossview Church in Seattle, WA where we (Alan & Ammabelle) have the privilege to join the team of some Asian leaders to share the ministries and what the Lord is doing in Asia. That was an awesome experience to have personally met people who are partners in prayer and purpose.

FMWM-Asia makes disciples by crossing cultures to share Jesus, developing servant partnerships to reinforce national leadership, and implementing systems to cultivate flourishing Free Methodist Churches.





What a joy to serve in the setting up of FMWM display area the day before GC23 started, and Immensely grateful to have attended the GC23 in Orlando, Florida. We have met missionaries, pastors and leaders from all over FMC USA and around the world and made many conversations about Asia ministries and develop partnerships. Truly, the theme Spirit-fueled movement have resonated in our (me and my wife) hearts.



Thank God for opportunities to have shared FMWM Asia ministries during the Family Camp of God's Family Christian Fellowship in Sacramento, CA and have good conversation with Hayward FMC Pastor and have visited their church too. Moved to Southern California and have attended a Dinner with Chapel of Change Pastors and leaders. The dinner was done intentionally for us to share our stories and the ministries that we do through FMWM Asia.

First time in my life to have spoken five times on a Sunday to the different campuses of Chapel of Change in LA.



Another exciting experience happened during the Friday Life Group at Oceanside, CA where the lovely hosts Mr. & Mrs. Melzhar Silos opened their home for us to share Asia ministries. This couple are members of Foundry Community Church but are leading the Bible Study group on Fridays.



On August 23, 2023, the 163rd Anniversary of World Free Methodism, my family have finally set our feet at Laoag, Ilocos Norte. The last two weeks was a mix of experiences, from having typhoons and earthquake, to connections to some locals in the community and an approval to conduct a youth gathering at the dormitory of the campus missionaries. The owner of the dormitory even shared to us her appreciation to the three students (Ashley, Lyle and AJ) being good occupants that set as good example to their dormmates. Please pray because the dormitory gathering have just started on September 15, 2023. That student leaders will be raised up from this group and salvation will spread in the entire area that later extends in the university.



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