

BANABA MOVES TO NEW WORSHIP CENTER



After six months of fervent praying, NCF Banaba Chapter transferred to a new place of worship. The new worship center is more than twice bigger than the old one. It's a two-storey building located on the same street of Banaba.

The old worship center became too small for church activities. NCF Banaba Pastor Albert Salipot recounts that the only one activity can be held at a time. *"Believe it or not, dahil sa liit ng lugar, kapag araw ng linggo, yung C.R. namin ay nagiging opisina ko at*

storage room para sa iba pang gamit. Kaya bawal mag-C.R. tuwing Linggo ng umaga," he explains.

(Because of the very limited space, Pastor Albert used their comfort room as his office and storage room every Sunday. That was why; no member and attender could use their CR every Sunday morning.)

The whole congregation became one with the idea of asking the Lord for provision. Pastor Albert adds, *"maraming nag-alok sa amin ng lugar subalit maliwanag sa amin na kapag ito ay aming pinatulan para na rin kaming kumapit sa patalim. Malakas ang tukso lalo na at araw na lang ang binibilang bago ang takdang panahon ng pag-alis namin sa aming inuupahan. Pinaalala sa amin ng Panginoon, "bakit kayo kakapit sa patalim kung pwede naman ninyo Akong kapitan", yan ang naging sandata namin."*

(Throughout the waiting period, there were those who offered but it seemed like gripping the knife's edge. They could have easily given in especially that their rental contract was ending. But God reminded them to hold on to His hand instead.)



Majority of NCF Banaba members are financially challenged. It seemed impossible for them to afford a better place. But nothing is impossible with God. Last February, a new door opened for them. There are actually more doors now because two rooms on the second floor serve as the office and the multi-purpose place for church activities like Sunday School and Bible studies.

With the new worship center comes the renewed

commitment from the church workers. The new place is a proof that God indeed answers prayers. Pastor Albert thanks NCF Main which has always supported Banaba in prayers and has always been a partner in carrying out the work of God.

Pastor Albert concludes, *"pasasalamat din sa Diyos sa buhay nina Ptr. Mark at Sis. Gigi Dantes na patuloy kong nagiging mga guro at sa kanilang mga karanasan sa ministeryo na nagsisilbing paalala sa akin sa dakilang biyaya at katapatan ng Diyos. Ang lahat ng papuri ay sa Diyos!"*

(Pastor Albert thanks God for the lives of Pastor Mark and Gigi Dantes whom he has always looks up to as mentors. Their ministry has always been a constant reminder to him of God's greatness and faithfulness. All the praises belong to God alone!)

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