In this letter

Many local trainings Visit from Netherlands Visit to Turkey ... and lots of creativity



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Newsletter



May 16 Observe a local langham training and preaching club in Tarlac.

May 17-19 ABCCOP general assembly (with Daan GZB coordinator)

May 21-28 Langham training for Leyte and Samar islangs inclusive training of new facilitators.

May 29 to June 3 with Daan direction leave Samar and teach about it the common thread through the Bible on two places.

From May 13th every Friday evening online langham training.

June/July Langham training in Pakistan?, Mindenao and Mindoro.

Creative assignment for online class about the Bible as one story, attended by 100! Students.



Langham Preaching

In my previous letter I wrote about a training for local facilitators. This time something about the effect. Normally I'm not that number-throwing... but I'm super proud of the people we trained!

Rev. Ino: is half way through training 7 pastors in his area Rev. Bhem: Went to the far north to train 13 people in an area where pastors have little training.

Rev. Jerry: has trained 6 people in his neighborhood and will be joining us at the end of the month for a large group in Leyte/Samar to train at level 2. Rev. Richard and Rev. Willy: have joined forces and together train a group of 13 from 3 provinces every Monday. In the morning a lesson and in the afternoons they practice together so that they already go home with a basis for their sermon for Sunday.

Rev. Andrew and Rev. Fe: Both use their Bible school they run as a platform to train new pastors in sermons (25 and 15 students) Rev. Abby: has started an online training for the youth, who also want to

learn to preach, but feel too young to join the older pastors. Rev's Jonathan, Jonah, Bong and Rene will all be teaching for the first time to a large group that we will train in Mindenao in July hopefully.

Rev. Lani has also started a local group to train.

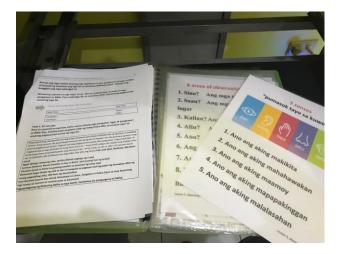
Many of them will also help teach the online training that starts this month.

Coordination between all these training sessions is not always easy :-), but it is so encouraging to see how everyone is working with the material. The manual, handouts, powerpoint and laminated materials are also all ready and aid in teaching.



Translated Books: The first book on listening to the Bible and the environment as the same time, for a good relevant sermon is out and is currently being read by groups.

The second project started for a book that shares the basics of the Bible and important theological insights in a simple way. Hopefully it will be ready in August. See below the manual and the laminated plates for training of level 1!



Dankpunten

- The planned training sessions, which can again be face to face and the amount of volunteers to teach.
- That the first translated book has come out and is now being distributed.
- Good time in Turkey!

Gebedspunten

• Making a manual also for level 2 Langham sermons with a focus on Old Testament.

• Further protection, when we try to slowly start doing some things face-to-face again.

• For a good visit to the Philippines for Daan, Martijn and Hananja of the GZB. For all the logistics, because everyone comes and leaves on different days, and different local flights are needed :-).

• Elections on May 9! How will the Philippines move on after the the change of leadership happens.

Turkey Increase meeting

It was very special to travel internationally again and all the way to Turkey. This turned out to be the only place where everyone could go due to covona and visa rules. So special to be able to meet again at a table instead of via a screen. Although it was still hybrid (some who entered online). We have thought together how we can further support theological education in the local churches in Asia. We have also already made a start with the preparations for an Asia conference face-to-face in November. We also visited Perge together. After that I had a lovely holiday with my brother. The return trip was just as exciting, because my roommate had contracted covid and I needed a negative test to travel back... thankful that I had arrived safely back here in the Philippines, covid-negative :-).





Coorporation with other organizations

So far you have/have come across two organizations that I am allowed to work with in the letter: Langham preaching and Increase network. In Turkey I also met a colleague there who helps my colleague in the Philippines with good Bible training for people with a Muslim background. Together we were able to brainstorm about how we can help him even more and what next steps we can take.

Though Langham preaching I get to work with a local Mission organization: EE (Every community for Christ).

Last Monday, they had their General assembly and I was Asked to Share God's Word. A large group was online, But also in each of the



Provinces where they work they gathered in local churches also.

During the online teaching, I met several people from other theological conferences. Also I was able to bring ECC in touch with an organization that gives livelyhood trainings to set them up well. THis is important for an

organization in order to become Less dependent on foreign money

Sometimes it is hard to explain what I do... a "normal" week is "abnormal" for me :-). But such a Priviledge to bring people together So they do not all need to reinvent the wheel.



Last week my colleague and I heard that the umbrella organization of Christian churches has hired a Dutchman to get a better overview of the churches in the Philippines. 5 years ago we had a first informal conversation in the car with the leader of this organization. Over the past few years, there have occasionally been those formal or informal moments, which are now bearing fruit. Satisfying! Thankful!



When you click on the link below you can hear part of the workship at servant leadership retreat. See foto left..

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