

# PHILIPPINE FRONT

## Monthly Update

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### DOORS of OPPORTUNITY



Sunday, October 16, 2011, was nine months since IBC Dumaguete started. We had a good crowd of visitors with 22 baptized!

Every family in attendance received a kilo bag of rice as a "thank you" for celebrating the day with us. After the morning service, those who brought a visitor entered a greased-pig chase for a chance to win 1,000 pesos (roughly \$25).



One of our faithful men, Ishmael, witnessing during the invitation.

Faith has been a theme that we've been heavily focused on throughout September, October, and will continue to emphasize through November. Our church responded well to our Missions Conference at the end of September, and their Faith Promise Commitments have been coming in. Already, several of our members have shared the blessings they have witnessed since they have taken this step of faith. For many of our church members, their incomes are so small that they barely have enough from week to week, but still, they believe God to supply all their need as they obediently give what God has told them to give. Please pray that they will not falter in their faith, but continue to grow!

Faith opens doors, because faith calls on us to do something. "Faith without works is dead." Faith without action produces nothing, but our actions (obediences), which are evidences of our faith, are pleasing to God. Without faith we are paralyzed by fear and will accomplish nothing for our Master. Oh that our faith would be increased more and more so that when Jesus returns He will find faith on the earth. Our people do not have much according to this world's economy, but they can be "rich in faith." All of God's people should be. He's given us no reason not to be!

By faith International Baptist Church has sent soul winners out each week, and each week we see precious souls saved. By faith, our converts are being discipled and are aggressively winning others to Christ and encouraging their converts to become soul winners also. By faith, we've had baptisms every Sunday since the church started. By faith we surpassed 200 baptisms before our church reached her 9-month mark. By faith we had our highest number of Sunday baptisms on our 9-month celebration Sunday - 22 believers! By faith we just started our third 10-week session of International Baptist Bible Institute with 18 students.

By faith we will be starting our first jeepney route in November. By faith we will start a tri-cycle route in November. By faith we are mapping out the barangays (communities) where we plan to begin Bible studies, which we trust will turn into churches. By faith we will start our Bible college in 2012 to begin the training of pastors, missionaries, and full-time Christian workers. By faith we will claim countless souls for Christ through the continued prayer and support of those who support us "by faith!"

#### INTERNATIONAL BAPTIST CHURCH

### Statistics

<b>THIS MONTH</b>	
Saved:	403
Baptized:	51
<b>2011 TOTALS</b>	
Saved:	3,199
Baptized:	242



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