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   1. Remembering Miss Feltus
      Lee Chin Beng <leecc@eis.ac.th> August 26:
      I have just received an email from an alumnus who attended our very first school started by
      Dr. Ralph Waddell in 1948. The alumnus can still remember Miss Feltus as his first teacher.
      Do you know whether she is still alive?
      Mrs. Waddell might know her. Thank you for your help.

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II. Hacienda Heights Church Finds New Home
   Paul Cho <paulcho99@yahoo.com.hk> August 19:
   Greetings from the Hacienda Heights Chinese SDA Church and peace be with you!
   I am writing to share the good news that our Hacienda Heights Chinese SDA Church has
   finally located a potential property in Chino which we can call home. The details concerning
   this property are printed on the pages attached. If you have any questions, please feel free
to contact me. But what I really want to share with you is the journey we have taken to come
to this property.
   For the last 3 years, our church has been looking for a property or a church to purchase. As
   it is the case with many of our projects, we commit this in our prayers. We had located
   two other properties in the past, and our church even had a business meeting and an open
   church board meeting and had come to a unanimous vote to move to a certain property in Chino.
   But our prayer team kept praying that God would show us His will and His way, even though
   everything was set in stone in human eyes. Yet the prayer team continued to pray that if it
   is not His will, He would stop it from happening. Sure enough, that property did not go
   through even though we came very close.
   Many people question us why we want to move our church to Chino where seemingly there is
   a lesser concentration of Chinese and does not seem to be the ideal location for our
   ministry. Even within our church board, we have different opinions as well. But God has shown
   us that there is no need to fight among ourselves, all we need to do is to seek His will
   fervently, and He will do all according to His pleasure. Praise God, each person on the board
   is willing to put aside his/her personal preferences and only seek that of God’s in this
   matter. Based on the prior experience of knowing God’s mighty power to intervene, we know we
   just need to do our part and trust that God will intervene if this is not the location He has
   in mind for us.
   With this mind set, it just appears that God keeps opening doors regarding this property.
   Now, we are in escrow, trying to purchase this property for
   $1 million when it is valued at $3-4 million. We have $500,000 on hand and need to come up
   with another $500,000 by August 29 in order to secure the property. We also need about
   $100,000 for miscellaneous costs in order to operate as a church. Again this is a leap of
   faith to come up with such a large sum in such a short time. However, we know that God will
   provide if it is His will. By the way, there is a 99 Ranch Market just 5 minutes away. Our
experience in the past tells us that a concentration of Chinese is in the area wherever such a market is located.

I want to thank you personally for being a faithful supporter of our church in the past either through prayers or monetary support. Would you prayerfully consider partnering with us financially, if you are able, in order to affect the Chinese in this area for eternity? No gift would be too big or too small. We are just grateful for anything.

We thank you for your past generosity, and we appeal to you once again for your financial support. Please indicate below your contributions and write your check payable to Hacienda Heights Chinese SDA Church and mail it to the above address. If you prefer, you may deposit your funds directly into our banking account: Bank of America, Rowland Heights Branch - Routing #122000661; Account #07977-68263. Your contribution may be tax deductible. Please consult your tax advisor.

I look forward to hearing from you, and thank you in advance for your prayer in this project.

In Christ,

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III. Cambodian School Gets Electricity

Tim Maddocks <tim@saltmin.org> August Prayer Journal

It was a wonderful July day when we could throw the circuit breaker and let the power from the town supply flow into the Wat Preach Yesu wires. It has already made a huge difference in the productivity of our studio as now our computers can be working the full work day and then while we are sleeping they are still working exporting video. When school re-opens on September 5, we will see changes there as teaching activities requiring electricity will not be restricted to when computer classes are in progress.

This wonderful blessing to our lives was made possible by donations from brothers and sisters I met at Faith Camp 2011, in Washington State, USA as well as from generous gifts from many of the Avondale College teacher trainees who spent part of June and July with us teaching their hearts out (we love all of you for changing our lives). We have had to become more disciplined, as before at 9 o'clock the power went off signaling bedtime. That is no longer so.

The final bill came to around US$17,000. We hope to recoup this over the next three years as a result of savings due to not running the diesel generator, and thus have funds to invest in other ways to grow God's Kingdom.

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IV. A SULADS Mission Story

SULADS Newsletter <sulads@suladsnewsletter.org>

She Died Singing

by Jonnery Bargayo, Langilan Literacy Center

"Ayoh! Sir, pwede ta kasulod? (Sir, can we go in?). These were the words that we heard from our pupils as they wished to enter our cottage. One of these pupils was named Arilyn. I can't forget her brown, round face, curly hair, and a big smile on her face. She frequently visited our cottage with a squash and said, "It's for you, Sir."

Arilyn was my pupil. She always came to school with her pink dress. She was a typical child. She played inside my class. Sometimes I had to give her the heaviest punishment in the class but still, as she performed the punishment, she was still smiling.

Whenever my partner and I went to visit each house in our village, she would come with us along with her friends. They would roll on the grass and laugh over and over again. I always enjoyed hearing them sing during worship. I reminded them that even though we were in the middle of the thick jungle, God was still there for us. No matter who and what we are, He is always willing to accept us.

Early on the morning of July 18, 2011, Monday, Arilybn's father knocked on our door. He told us that Arilyn was suffering from stomach pain and had been vomiting since Sunday. Upon hearing the father's report, we hurried to their house. We saw Arilyn lying on her mat. She
was already dehydrated. Our place was very far from the water source. It would take us two hours to go to the water source and return. Seeing her situation, my partner picked guava leaves and boiled them for her to drink the extract.

While we were preparing this, Arilyn's family were also preparing their traditional rituals of offering to the "busao" or the bad spirit that is disturbing Arilyn. They had already prepared a big pig to be offered to the busao. As they were doing it, Arilyn's eyes remained focused on my teammate and me. As we became preoccupied with the preparation of the medicine, Arilyn uttered, with her dying breath, the last words that I would expect from her in this situation. She asked us, "Sir, could we sing?"

I said, "We can." Then, she started singing this song:

"Ikaw ang kusog kanako, malipayong dalangpanan.
Wala nay makakumpara sa imong gugma
Unsa man kalayo ang langit, gugma moy para sa tanan,
Mulohod ako sa tiilan mo, pagsimba kanimo o Dyos
Ikaw ang kusog, ikaw ang kusog, Kanako."

This song means that God is my strength and nothing, and no one can be compared to Him and His great love for us. I will kneel to You and for You alone.

As I heard her voice and her song, tears fell down on my cheeks. Even though I tried to stop myself from crying, the agony was unavoidable. I couldn't explain how I felt. My heart was torn into pieces as I saw her dying. As she finished singing the last word, she took her last glimpse of her father, then to my teammate and me.

When her father saw her condition, he hurriedly went to the next house and started to do their ritual but I knew that no matter how many times they stabbed the pig, Arilyn's life couldn't be brought back. All we could do was to cry for the pain and loss of this child.

I know that I will see her in the second coming of Jesus. I will again see Arilyn's smiling face in heaven. It was her great faith that even in her last breath, it was only Jesus whom she called. She died singing for her Lordlyour support of this very important project.

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V. Dr. Beulah Manuel Conducts Seminars at AIU

"Academic Advising" and "Teaching and Managing Big Classrooms" were the two topics covered by Dr. Beulah Manuel in a seminar organized by the Faculty of Arts and Humanities and the Faculty of Education and Psychology.

This seminar was held on Thursday, July 28, 2011. The attendees included faculty members and some graduate students. The 2-hour professional development event was the third of three seminars given by Dr. Manuel within a span of eight days. The first one was for the Faculty of Arts and Humanities teachers, and the second was for students. Dr. Manuel is currently the Associate Director of the Center for Student Success at Washington Adventist University in Maryland, the USA. She previously served as Dean of the Faculty of Arts and Humanities here at AIU. --Dr. Bienvisa Nebres, Faculty of Arts & Humanities --from Asia-Pacific International University's Newsbyte newsletter, August 18, 2011 ~~~~~~~ VI. Pat Gustin's Hour-long Interview on Hope TV

Following watching the 6 o'clock evening news today, Aug. 25th, with scary warnings of Hurricane Irene's attack on the US East Coast, we casually channel-hopped over to 368 on DIRECTV and what a happy surprise: Don Schneider interviewing Pat Gustin on his "Really Living" program about her first term as a missionary in Singapore, at FEA, then many terms in Thailand in school, and even ministerial, work and then several years at Andrews training missionaries-to-be. Her very characteristic positive attitude toward the people with whom she lived and worked was a wonder to hear.

[When I wrote Pat to express our delight and appreciation on seeing it, she remarked that the interview took place a couple of years ago. She currently lives near Walla Walla and her address is <gustin@andrews.edu>.] ~~~~~~~~~ VII. Revival Meetings in Myaungmya Circle

Saw Thein <sawthein2009@gmail.com> August 30:

Yesterday morning my wife and I've arrived back in Yangon from our revival meetings trip. Saya William Phyo and I have conducted revival meetings in 11 villages with six local SDA churches leaders in one of the Myaungmya circles. We encouraged our church members together
with the church leaders. During the two weeks we've visited house to house especially conducted worship services at the homes of our members.

We could able see the work of the Holy Spirit among our ministry. Some of our non-member friends invited us to conduct worship service at their houses. We encouraged our members to pray more and read the Scriptures daily and to conduct a regular morning and evening devotion and to be a faithful Sabbath keeper.

All these places were initiated by the Pwo Karen Missionary Pioneers Pastor and Ma Ma Wyman before the Second World War. We will never forget their love and kind to our people. We pray that may our Mighty God bless forever to the Wyman generation.

Uncle U Tun Gyi (our vice Chairman) was not able to be with us because of his mother's serious illness. We encourage our church leaders to keep lightening the revival spirit; we plan to conduct a living crusade and an evangelistic meeting where the churches are situated in the near future.

Please keep praying for our ministry and Myanmar people.

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