Datu Wali Mission Foundation 2012 Annual Report



President's Introduction

Following a disheartening 2011, I am happy to report that Datu Wali Mission enjoyed several victories in 2012. We give God all praise and credit for anything that was accomplished this past year, while expressing our sincere gratitude to the many Godly people who bathed this ministry in prayer and contributed financially.

A new division superintendent for the Department of Education not only welcomed our involvement in supporting public schools, but recruited us to assist him in rooting out corruption among his own subordinates. He was promoted and transferred to another region in late 2011, but while heading our province's school system, he made progress in identifying and correcting many of the problems we have shared with you over the years. He was replaced by a man who seems to lack the skill and determination of his predecessor, but who shares the same convictions. He, too, enlisted our help in addressing problems in this province.

Meanwhile, our objective to improve access to education for poor and indigenous children continues in the form of free school transportation for about 100 children from neighboring villages. We continue to distribute books to schools that have been collected and shipped from partners in the U.S.. One private school, has been well stocked with new text books through this program. We also provide school supplies to deserving teachers and children as needed.

In 2012, we expended nearly \$1,000 for medical assistance to poor villagers in the form of clinic and hospital fees, and prescriptions. That amount will appear small to readers, but it represents a significant sum in the economy of the rural Philippines. Plus, medical costs (and quality of service) are far below American standards.

We supported the last of our tribal high school scholars remaining in school. As reported previously, of the 29 original scholars, only three graduated last March and our final student will graduate this coming March. The rest dropped out due to pregnancy, marriage, or work. We also added support for a promising Bible school student, paying her tuition and helping with her boarding costs. She is an aspiring pastor who attends a remote school operated by the Christian and Missionary Alliance.

We sponsored a Vacation Bible School program in our village, transportation of village youth to Christian camps, and food for another tribal Bible school.

Our annual Christmas tribal outreach was the highlight of our year. On Dec. 24, we presented an evangelistic program in a village we previously have not served. At least 1,300 tribal men, women, and children attended. They enjoyed and participated in the music, they listened intently to the message given by a T'boli pastor, and they received with thankfulness, the food packages we distributed to them.

On the wings of many prayers offered by you, my back improved sufficiently this year to stay busy and active, though limited in many respects. Our family enjoyed good health and safety this year. We are blessed to be called and used of God through this work, and we are sustained by your prayers and support. We had some changes in our board of directors, and I am ever so grateful for the support of our former and new directors.

Dan Evans

President and Director

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Datu Wali Mission Foundation and Datu Wali Mission of the Philippines

DWM Fast Facts for 2012

- 50 kilometers driven daily to transport 100+ village children to/from local schools
- 4 remaining tribal students sponsored in High School
- Nearly \$1,000 in provided medical aid (prescriptions, clinic transportation, and fees)
- 3,100 donated books distributed to schools and public libraries
- 1,300 people ministered to and fed through a Christmas evangelistic outreach
- DWM Foundation overhead: 2% 98 cents of every dollar contributed went to ministry

Nutrition

Although nutrition constitutes one of our objectives, there is little positive to report. As reported last year, we no longer are able to feed the students at Kipalkuda Elementary School due to opposition from teachers and a corrupt district administrator. The school is again suffering from the same problems that existed before we began supporting it in 2006: low attendance, empty classes in the afternoons, children too under-nourished to function in class. Many tribal families have left that village because of the discrimination against them by non-tribal teachers. And, that is why we were kicked out; teachers resented us for filling their classrooms with tribal children.

Our plans to develop a vegetable farm that would provide free vegetables to the people in our village (Wali), is also on the shelf. Villagers were unwilling to do light labor (as little as two hours a week) in exchange for free food. However, they were quite willing to steal the produce from the fields at night. Our farm is now producing field corn which we sell. The profits from that are turned back into support for the ministry. If, in the future, we detect a change in heart among villagers, we can always restart the vegetable program.

Our nutritional efforts in 2012 were largely limited to occasional food hand-outs to impoverished elderly and children. At Christmas we distributed bags of rice and Sardines sufficient for more than 3,000 meals to the T'bolis of Upo, a mountain village.

Education

We continue to improve access to education for tribal and poor children by offering free school transportation from our village and neighboring villages, to the town of Maitum. About 100 children were served through this service in 2012.

A very successful project is our Books for Schools program. Partners, such as yourself, collect used books from friends, libraries, and schools and then ship them to us at no cost through LBC Foundation, the charitable arm of a Philippine-owned shipping company. We then sort, categorize, re-box, and deliver them to local schools and the town library. We have created a book repository for one private high school in Maitum, using excellent (largely new) text books from a school in California. The Maitum town library has been totally stocked by us and is used by students and teachers from four schools, plus other residents and teachers in town.

For many years we fought opposition from local Department of Education (DepEd) administrators and teachers in our efforts to help children obtain an education. The level of corruption among them is rampant and it works to deny education to the poor because of their demands for illegal fees and contributions. Our perseverance was rewarded in 2012, when the former provincial head of DepEd was removed for corruption, and replaced by a man devoted to reform. The teachers hated him and us,

because he asked us to help him in finding and fixing the many problems with education in this province – problems that landed right in the laps of crooked teachers. Many improvements were made. School principals were moved, some were prosecuted. But, he was too good. So, the national Secretary of Education promoted him and put him in charge of an entire region – sadly, not our own region. A new man is now at the helm and it remains to be seen if he will continue his predecessor's agenda and be effective at it. He has invited us to partner with him, but only time will tell.

Of the 29 original tribal students we sponsored in high school, three graduated last year and the last one will graduate this year. All of the rest dropped out before graduating. One girl dropped out to get married just one month before graduating last March. She was planning to be a teacher. Now she is producing children that she can't feed.

Health

We expended nearly \$1,000 in medical assistance in 2012. This was largely in the form of transportation to clinics, clinic and hospital fees, and medications (paying for prescriptions). We screen and scrutinize each request carefully, because many people will use fraudulent prescriptions to obtain money for liquor and gambling.

One man came to me in December requesting help with his wife's hospital bill. It seemed to be a legitimate case, so I provided half of the funds for the bill. We later learned that it was used to obtain an abortion. For those of you who know how I feel about abortion, you might imagine the rage I felt (and continue to feel) when I learned of it.

Spiritual

I noted in last year's report that we hoped to start a more evangelistic thrust to complement the material aid our ministry provides. The burden and need is still there (and growing), but God has not yet identified a local person to partner with us in that effort.

We do mentor pastors from time to time, including the man who leads our village church. His training is very poor, so he seeks advice and assistance.

One problem that emerged this past year, was an increase in the number of local pastors who involved themselves in illegal activities (for the "benefit of their church"). One local pastor stole timber (to make pews) from government land and transported it across private property without permission. He was assisted by another pastor. They are now under investigation by the government and may face prosecution. They tried to involve Dan in the project (without telling him the details) but the Holy Spirit gave Dan the discernment to suspect they were doing something wrong and Dan declined.

Our burden for local pastors continues to grow. They have little training and that leads many of them to become apostate. In 2012, we again supported a small tribal Bible school for indigenous pastors by funding their meals and providing Bibles to graduates. It was one of these men who brought the message at our Christmas outreach.

The annual Christmas outreach was moved to a new village this year. Our previous efforts were in the T'boli village of Etis. We proclaimed the message of Christ to 350 T'bolis and distributed food packages there in 2011. But, we have come to realize that there is a bad spirit in that community. The people are very ungrateful and even aggressive toward us. In July, we felt God leading us to the village of Upo, which is in the mountains to the West of us. On Dec. 24, we loaded up two large trucks with sound equipment, volunteers, a ton of rice, and a half ton of canned Sardines. We presented music and

the gospel message to more than 1,300 people. We then distributed packages of food (1 kilo of uncooked rice) to each person – man, woman, and child – plus a can of Sardines to every adult or older child. The people were pleasant, kind, thankful and attentive. It was as much of a blessing for us, as it was to them. We are not accustomed to gratefulness among the tribe that we serve in and around our own village. A short video of this event is online: http://www.youtube.com/user/DatuWaliMission

Financial Summary

Financial records are held by our Treasurer in Antioch, California and are available for review onsite by U.S. citizens as stipulated by the Internal Revenue. Send an e-mail to: llinares827@gmail.com for an appointment. The chart below is an abbreviated summary. Publishing more information could result in security problems for the Evans family, who reside in a terrorist-active region. A more extensive summary is available, but is limited to U.S. citizens residing in the U.S.. Request an electronic copy by sending an e-mail to: datuwalimission@gmail.com.

DWM has no employees. No directors or officers receive salaries or compensation from DWM. Dan and Aurea Evans are self-supporting; all of their living and personal expenses come from their own retirement savings. Most of the overhead is represented by bank fees, postage, and stationery for mailing receipts to donors. We are pleased to report that 2012 ministry overhead was just two cents per income dollar. 98 cents of every dollar contributed went directly to ministry. The board keeps overhead low by personally absorbing various fees (state and IRS annual filing fees, postal box fees, corporate representation fees, phone and Internet charges, etc.).

Abbreviated 2012 Foundation Financial Summary

Gross Foundation income from U.S. contributions and field contributions	\$ 13,580.00
Gross income in the Philippines (local contributions or Bible sales)	\$ 122.93
Foundation funds expended for foundation operation and overhead *	\$ 133.90
Dollar value of DWM Philippines expenditures (approximate due to variable exchange rates)	\$ 3,960.30

^{*} Overhead expenses consist mostly of banking fees, printing costs, and postage.

Prospects for 2013

We will continue distributing books to schools through our Books for Schools program. The primary burden for that program resides with our partners, such as yourself. You collect the books (guidelines and downloadable posters are available on our Website). LBC ships them (from U.S. cities in which they have offices) at no cost. We distribute them. Everyone wins, especially the children who often have no way to practice the English reading skills the schools are attempting to teach.

We will continue to defend the rights of the poor and indigenous peoples to obtain an education. To that end, we will defy corrupt school administrators and teachers, and continue to promote education to parents as the way to improve the futures for their children. We will partner with good DepEd leaders. An effort we made to inform all parents in the province about their rights last year (through posters and meetings), was effective and we will continue such efforts in 2013.

Our medical assistance to villagers will continue as we have financial resources. The same is true of nutritional assistance. We are careful not to create and sustain dependencies. We seldom pay an entire hospital bill, encouraging the patient's family to find ways to pay part of it themselves. It is always easier for them to come to us for help, instead of making a sacrifice themselves, such as giving up their liquor and cigarettes. We work hard to defeat that attitude. Also, we never support the death industry here. People will decline medical intervention for illness, but then beg for money for funeral costs. We

are not here to bury people, which is usually an income producing event for families through sales of liquor, food, and gambling.

We have begun supporting a tribal pre-school in the mountains. The teacher was kicked out of Kipalkuda Elementary school by her fellow teachers, because she cares for and attracts many tribal children. She now is paid by the governor (who is much more sympathetic to IPs) and we are providing her supplies. She and her 50 students needs other assistance and we are exploring ways to assist more fully.

We will continue to support a Bible school student, and a small tribal Bible school.

Peace negotiations between the Philippine government and both the Muslim and Communist insurgents, continue. They have reduced tensions somewhat, but eventually – I predict – the negotiations will fail and problems will start again. We trust God for our safety and He doesn't negotiate.

Finally, the greatest need here is for people to find God. We continue to pray for opportunities to share Him and are waiting for Him to show us a practical way of doing that. We are praying for a local partner. Most of the problems among poor and indigenous peoples are related to discrimination. We hope to effect change by ministering the Gospel to those responsible for the discrimination.

Needs for 2013

Please continue to pray for the Foundation, our directors, the people we serve, and our family. Financial support is secondary in priority; we need your prayers and are grateful for the many who have affirmed to us their intent and practice of praying for DWM and us personally. But, we definitely appreciate those who share with us the costs of this work.

Legal Information

Board changes occurred late in 2012. Carolyn Seely, Treasurer, resigned in September. During my September visit to the states, Ken Grubbs, Lauren Linares, and Mike Wade agreed to stand for election as directors and that occurred in a mid-year board meeting. Ken Grubbs was one of our founding directors and I am thankful for his return to the board. His daughter, Lauren Linares joins us as a director and Treasurer. They both reside in California. Mike Wade, of Texas, joins us a director. Dave Hill, another founding director and current Secretary of the Foundation, continues to serve in that capacity. Dan Evans continues as a director and board President. Terms are set at three years in our By-Laws and we do not have term limits.

The Datu Wali Mission Foundation is an IRS-recognized, non-profit corporation registered in the state of Wyoming. Checks should be made out to: *Datu Wali Mission Foundation*. Donations sent to DWMF are tax-deductible and acknowledged by receipts, if sent to:

Treasurer Datu Wali Mission Foundation 1617 Bruce St. Antioch, CA 94509 If you wish to send non-financial correspondence to the Foundation, please write to:

Secretary Datu Wali Mission Foundation 1282 Veronica Ct. Carlsbad, CA 92011

You can write to the Evans family at:

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Please do not send contributions to the Evans at their Philippine address. They are unable to cash or deposit your checks and will return them to the Treasurer if received in the field.

Thank You

We value and appreciate our friendships with you. It is not just lip-service to say that your partnership with us makes you an equal part of this ministry. Your role is vital. Your prayers sustain us. Your contributions make it possible to continue providing assistance in Jesus' name. Thank you.

My special thanks to my fellow board members and my wife Aurea, all of whom are indispensable in the daily operation, management, spiritual encouragement, and accountability of this ministry.

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