Datu Wali Mission Foundation

2019 Annual Report



President's Introduction

Thirteen years! It feels like I've been here all my life. My fifty-four previous years prior to arriving January 7, 2007, seem distant and somewhat vague compared to the new life I began in coming to the Southern Philippines. Although coming was a life-sunsetting commitment and a permanent relocation, I didn't have the vision to see thirteen years into the future. It's been quite an adventure in every sense of the word.

I recently turned 67. Age is definitely more than a number. As I write this, we are preparing for tomorrow's village senior citizen lunch at our compound. The building we were using for cooking adjacent to the village meeting hall, was sold so we had to relocate. I've spent all week fixing up an implement shed to serve as the meeting place. It was more physical labor than I thought I was still capable of, and perhaps more than I should have taken on. However, the task is finished, and we will serve lunch here tomorrow. The funds for the shed were furnished by Camelback Community Church in Glendale, AZ many years ago, to serve as a children's feeding center in the mountains. When we had to vacate that place, we disassembled the shed and trucked it down to our compound, reassembled and repurposed it for parking farm equipment. Now, the shed returns to its dedicated purpose of feeding and ministering to the poor. Thank you, Camelback, for your generosity and what is now the third blessed application for this shed.

The senior citizen lunch program was our most demanding ministry in 2019. We started last June. We invite village senior citizens (60 or older) to come on Saturdays for a nutritious hot lunch. Attendance has ranged from 14 to 50. Aurea teaches a Bible lesson before each lunch. We also continued our support of the Tribal Pastor's Bible School by providing funds for their week-long quarterly sessions, plus Bibles, books and other necessities. We also distribute Bibles and other teaching/study resources to other pastors and believers. The Community Garden continues to operate, and we are still looking for a better manager. I continue to write and publish devotionals every three days on our ministry Facebook pages, and we continue to hear that they are used by some pastors as sermon material.

I am in my seventh year as education consultant to our governor and chair of the Governor's Commission on Education (GCE). In 2019, I tapered off my activity for GCE, especially that requiring travel to the capitol. I have repeatedly told the DWM Board and our governor that I will continue serving the province in this capacity as long as I can justify it as an extension of our work for Datu Wali Mission, which made improving access to education by poor and tribal children one of our original objectives. I work on education projects now that allow me to work from home, for the most part. My work will end when our governor's last term ends in 2022.

Aurea and I continue to experience various health issues and a general slow-down due to our age. However, there is still much we can do to serve Christ in this place, and I have no intention of retiring. We just adjust and adapt as needed to remain relevant. And, we still have not had any personal encounters with rebels or communist guerillas, despite their relative proximity to our compound.

Thank you for your prayers and support.

Dan Evans

DWM Fast Facts for 2019

- Quarterly support (food and books) provided to a local tribal pastor's Bible school
- Nutrition ministry to village senior citizens serving an average of 23 each week
- Medical aid (prescriptions, clinic transportation, and fees) to villagers
- Approximately 100 donated books and Bibles distributed to pastors
- Community Garden with 3 acres of vegetables
- About 925 hours of education consultation service to the Provincial Government
- Designed a peer tutoring program for Philippine schools that, so far, affects about 350,000 students
- DWM Foundation overhead: 1.5% (98.5% of all contributions went directly to ministry)

Education

I continue to serve as the provincial governor's education consultant and chair of the Governor's Commission on Education. The peer tutoring program I designed for the provincial Department of Education was mandated by the Superintendent of Schools for all public schools in the province, plus the program went nationwide in 2019. The book I wrote on the subject was published and distributed to educators across the country. I also developed a seminar and trained four educators to travel around the country promoting Peer tutoring. The tutoring program is used by about 50,000 students in our province, plus an estimated 300,000 in other regions across the country and continues to expand.



Books

We continue to distribute Bibles and other printed resources to local pastors. These include books donated by a retired pastor and Glenwood Community Church in Vancouver, Washington.

Spiritual

Every three days we publish an online devotional on the DWM ministry pages (both the Philippine and U.S. pages). I never presumed this would continue when I experimented with it in 2013. We ended 2019 with 811 devotionals having been released so far. Most of our readers are Catholic, plus a few Muslims.

52 WEEK BIBLE STUDY

Our own 52-week Bible study book was distributed to pastors and churches. We may publish a volume 2. This book came out of our online devotional ministry. At least four pastors and one youth pastor – that we know of – use the online and printed Bible studies for sermon material.



We continued to support the Tribal Pastor's Bible school with food and books. Both Dan and Aurea spoke to the students in 2019. The senior citizen lunch program has given Aurea more opportunities to minister to local elderly. She is often asked to counsel or mediate disputes between villagers.

Healthcare

As reported last year, we find ourselves giving less cash for poor villagers' healthcare due to expanded government aid. In 2019, we only gave \$450.98 for prescriptions and clinic fees. The DWM Community Garden addresses local nutritional issues.

We started a weekly nutritional citizens in June of 2019. An Saturday (except for the first they have another activity) for a Apprehensive at first, they now participate in the Bible "talk" and hymns. So, this project has both



project for village senior average of 23 come each Saturday of the month, in which hot lunch and a Bible message. come with enthusiasm and offer to sing their favorite health and spiritual components.

Financial Summary

DWM finances are managed by our Treasurer. Financial records are also kept by our Secretary and can be made available for review onsite by U.S. citizens as stipulated by the Internal Revenue Service. For an appointment, send an e-mail to: dnewtonhill@gmail.com. The chart below is an abbreviated summary. Publishing more information could result in security problems for the Evans family, who reside in an area harboring several terrorist groups.

DWM has no employees. Directors and officers serve without compensation. The Evans family is self-supporting; all of the Evans living and personal costs come from personal retirement savings. We are happy to report another year of low ministry overhead, which was just \$60.00 in 2019. Therefore, 1.5% of every dollar contributed went directly to ministry. The board keeps overhead low by personally absorbing various expenses and fees (state and IRS annual filing fees, corporate representation fees, postal stamps, stationary, phone charges, etc.).

Abbreviated 2019 Foundation Financial Summary *

Gross Foundation income from U.S. contributions	\$ 3,960.00
Foundation funds expended for foundation operation and overhead **	\$ 60.00
Dollar value of DWM Philippines expenditures (approximate due to variable exchange rates)	\$ 3,128.88

^{*} These rows are not meant to balance. ** Overhead expenses consist mostly of banking fees, printing costs, and postage.

Prospects for 2020

The Community Garden is expected to continue its current level of operation indefinitely. However, we are eagerly awaiting God to send us a capable manager who has a heart for God and the poor. We want to expand the garden and give away more vegetables to the needy. We started the garden as a demonstration farm to show villagers that growing vegetables is not too difficult. Now, most villagers have small gardens of their own to help feed their families, and some grow enough to sell.

Teaching resources will continue to be distributed to local pastors. If your pastor or church has excess books that could be useful to pastors here, please contact us to discuss the possibility of them being shipped to us.

Dan will serve the governor as long as that work is not a distraction from local ministry.

We do not consider local terrorism to be something we need to be concerned about or to fear. We will simply do our work and serve God until he calls us home, regardless how that might happen. Tensions are fairly high, and the bad guys continue to recruit villagers to their cause, but that is largely beyond our influence.

Needs for 2020

We submit to you the following prayer needs:

- For us, strong and healthy bodies for the demands we face here.
- For help, both in the Community Garden and in general ministry projects.
- Continued spiritual influence on children and elderly villagers.
- A growing audience for our Bible studies.
- Additional resources to distribute to local pastors.
- A spirit of volunteerism to sweep across our region to encourage people to help others.

Legal Information

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 are tax-deductible and acknowledged by receipts, if sent to:

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Send non-financial correspondence to the Foundation, to:

Secretary

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You can write to the Evans family at:

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

Board of Directors

Dan Evans, Foundation President/Director, plus director of field operations in the Philippines

Dr. David Hill, Foundation Vice President/Secretary/Director,

Mike Wade, Foundation Treasurer/Director,

Rev. Ken Grubbs, Foundation Director

Thank You

Your prayers and financial support are received with gratitude, both to you and to God, who supplies you with that ability.

Dan Evans

President and Director

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