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Information Technologists

ministering to churches and missionaries with their computer needs

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Armi and I recently got back this month from a month long missions trip to the Philippines. We visited several churches including Lighthouse Baptist Church in Catarman, Samar (Pastor Layne Jones), Gospel of Christ Baptist Church in Talamban, Cebu (Pastor Frank Denisi), Victory Baptist Church and Makhaseh Baptist Church in Baguio (Pastor Ramil Mendoza).

The IT needs in these churches were similar to those in our churches here in the United States. The main needs were (1) Websites (2) Streaming (3) Software (4) Church databases (5) Online giving and a few other IT requirements which included internet access, some training, networking, security, and a few hardware issues. We were able to start websites for all 4 churches as well as assist with getting some of the other items addressed. We continue to assist where work can be done remotely.

One need that definitely stood out on our trip was the sound systems. Currently, I have been doing a lot of sound system training on my own using online resources. Audio University is an outstanding resource. We have been doing training and improving our current sound system at Koolau Baptist Church. Like Information Technology, there are a lot of best practices that should be applied for all sound systems.

We also assisted Doane Rest (Jonathan Bryant, Missionary lodging) also in Baguio with WiFi and networking issues. We assisted Sasebo Baptist Church with some audiovisual hardware issues, license issues, and logon issues. We assisted Maranatha Baptist Church in Okinawa with some hosting and domain registration issues. We have also been doing a lot of AI translation work for Hawaii Baptist College, a missionary in Nepal and other ministries as the needs arise.

We plan to visit mainland churches this July when I retire. If you know of any churches that might need IT support please let me know!

Thanks for your prayers and support! May the Lord bless you in your specific endeavors to spread the Gospel to the world!

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