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BIRON SPEAKS TO 2012 GRADUATES



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Congressman Ferjenel Biron of the 4th District of Iloilo was the Guest of Honor of the 2012 Commencement Exercises, April 15, 2012.

Dr. Ferjenel Gonzales Biron is a true-blooded Centralian, a physician by profession and a public servant by heart. A consistent academic achiever, he finished his elementary and high school from Central Philippine University, Iloilo City in 1977 and 1981 respectively, With Honors. He then proceeded to West Visayas State University (WVSU) where he took up Bachelor of Science in Biological Sciences and graduated Magna Cum Laude in 1985. He finally earned his Doctor of Medicine Degree in the same university and graduated as one of

the top graduates of Class 1989. His leadership ability became evident quite early when he was overwhelmingly elected as President of the College of Arts and Sciences Student Council of WVSU for School Year 1984-85.

In his endless pursuit for knowledge, he became an alumnus of the prestigious Asian Institute of Management, Manila where he finished two programs on Finance and Manufacturing Management in 1999.

Apart from being a respected personality in the medical community, he was considered as one of the pillars of the generic pharmaceutical industry in the Philippines and was known to be the architect of the generic revolution in the country, particularly in the field of sterile

formulations. Challenged by the pitiful state of the country's healthcare environment, he established Phil Pharmawealth, Inc. in 1994 and later became the industry's leader in the distribution of parenteral or sterile pharmaceutical formulations in the Philippines.

Today, the Pharmawealth Group has three manufacturing facilities in the Philippines and a Large Volume Parenteral plant in China. The Inhalation Anesthetic Plant is the FIRST in the Philippines and the FIRST in Southeast Asia. The Pharmawealth Group exclusively carries more than 1,400 different pharmaceutical products and had recently started its export to Asia, Central and South America, Middle East,

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Bandiola, Galaez and Leda Top 2012 Graduates; Palmes is Alma Mater Awardee

By Jason Pagunsan

Three Summa Cum Laudes lead the 1,333 new college graduates this year, namely, Joe Jett B. Bandiola, BSAccountancy; Kim Christian R. Galaez, BSChE; and Stella Mariedith B. Leda,

BSAccountancy.

The batch has six Magna Cum Laudes and 93 Cum Laudes.

Last year, there was only one (1) Summa Cum

Laude, but 13 Magna Cum Laudes, and only 83 cum laudes, of the 1,288 graduates.

Joe Jett is the son of Jose and Janette Bandiola of Bugasong, *Bandiola...5*



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PALMES

CPU Offers 1st Diploma Course On Solid Waste Management

By Elsa S. Subong

Solid waste management advocates and practitioners will now have a venue for developing capacities through the first ever diploma course offered by Central Philippine University (CPU).

The course is a graduate program which will officially start in June 2012 and every semester thereafter, under the CPU College of Agriculture, Resources and Environment Sciences.

Engr. Aries Roda D. Romallosa, contact person of the college and member of the *Solid waste...5*

Be A Transforming Centralian All The Time

(Text of the Commencement Speech of Dr. Ferjenel Biron, Congressman, 4th District of Iloilo, on the 84th Commencement Exercises, CPU, April 15, 2012)

President Ted Robles; Rev. Joniel Howard Gico, Vice-President for Administration; Dr. Fely Chin, Vice-President for Academic Affairs; Professor Rowena Libo-on, Vice-President for Finance and Enterprises; distinguished members of the Board of Trustees, deans of the respective colleges, faculty and staff, the graduating class, parents, friends, guests, Ladies and Gentlemen, a blessed day to all of you!

When I received the invitation to be your commencement speaker, I could hardly believe that my alma mater has considered me among the many prospective speakers. I know I was never a popular kid in the CPU campus during my time. I was neither top of my class nor a Varsity player of the CPU basketball or soccer team. Perhaps we will discover the reason why I was chosen before the end of this message.

God's gift of life is beyond human understanding and man himself is a unique creation of God. It is in our individual lives that we realize that a sovereign being exists and is in control of the events in the universe. While in control, He gives us a choice, whether to follow Him or go against Him. We all know however that in making a choice, the natural consequences of exaltation or condemnation follows. This is where CPU played her most important role in my life. CPU guided me to make the right choice and therefore, led me to the path of exaltation.

For ten years, I never wasted any opportunity to attend the worship services and immerse myself to the messages of the pastor who delivers the Word every Christian Emphasis Week. In 1981, I finally left CPU, physically but not spiritually. CPU had sown the seed in my heart. **I vowed to return to tell my story that the God CPU had introduced to me is indeed real and eternally faithful.**

While having my post-graduate internship at Western Visayas Medical Center (WVMC) in Mandurriao in April 1989, I was challenged by the acute need for a 24-hour pharmacy. I was searching for many months for a place within the hospital area but I couldn't find any. Until one day, I heard a knock on the door from a neighbour who was working as a hospital aide at the WVMC. She informed me that a space has just been vacated in front of the hospital. I wasted no time and went to check the place. I discovered that the tenant had hurriedly left for the U.S. to claim the insurance of his house that was damaged by the 6.9 magnitude earthquake that hit California on October 17, 1989. I never thought that this global event would eventually affect my life and my destiny.

I immediately talked to my father who had just availed of the voluntary retirement from the government. Unfortunately, he was not convinced of the idea of setting up a 24-hour pharmacy fearing that once the leader starts losing market share, it could retaliate and easily gobble up our small store. Worse, he never believed that I could run a business. After so much pushing, he reluctantly agreed and gave 30,000 Pesos for the renovation and rent of the store. When the store was completed, he gave 25,000 pesos for my initial inventory. It was the last time my father shared his retirement. The rest of the inventory was acquired through credit. Finally, on February

5, 1990, Ferj's Pharmacy was inaugurated, the first 24-hour pharmacy in Mandurriao and in Iloilo City at that time. The motivation of the whole venture was to make life-saving medicines affordable and available at any given hour to poor patients confined at the WVMC and to those in the community. Profits came spontaneously.

In no time, the venture prospered with 5 more stores opening in the next four years. Simultaneously however, was a journey of struggle, hardships, challenges, and unrelenting faith. Ferj's Pharmacy's success triggered the establishment of Phil PharmaWealth, Inc., an importing and distribution company of life-saving drugs particularly human injections.

Today, Phil PharmaWealth, Inc., which I established in 1993, had grown from two (2) to more than 1400 registered products including those of its subsidiaries--an exceptional feat because no other pharmaceutical company has ever done it in the last two decades. The group had partnered with 70 companies worldwide. It is now the biggest marketer of sterile pharmaceutical products in the country.

It has built three (3) facilities in the Philippines namely: Sterile Penicillin, Sterile Cephalosporin and Inhalation Anesthesia, with the latter two (2) registered in the Board of Investments as Pioneer Industries. It has subsidiaries in China, India, Thailand, and Singapore. Along with its partners, they had established a Large Volume Parenteral Plant in Northern China that is dedicated for the Philippine Market. And because of our entry, the prices of intravenous fluids have dropped by as much as 80%. It had recently started its exports of locally produced inhalation anesthesia to Southeast Asia and East Asia, Central and South America and the African continent. The Anesthetic plant designed after US FDA standards was built in Laguna in 2006 and is considered as the first in the Philippines and in Southeast Asia.

The inability of my parents to pay for my tuition fees on time during my elementary and high school days at CPU did not discourage me from pursuing my dream and my passion of making a difference in the life of my family and more importantly in the lives of other

people.

My dream was to make high quality life-saving medicines available to every Juan De La Cruz at the least possible cost. Consequently, these medicines had saved the lives of millions of poor Filipinos including 1.8 million mothers and their newborns every single year. **Again you will ask me, was money the motivation? I say no. It came as a reward and a blessing because I know I am serving a Rich and Living God.**

This is the fulfilment of the dream that I had passionately pursued – that is, to save lives to change lives and to transform the destiny of others. I personally share the fulfilment of this dream to the 1,000 people from Iloilo who are gainfully employed with the PharmaWealth group.

Steve Jobs, the Apple founder and the greatest innovator of all time once commented (in his book, The Innovation Secrets of Steve Jobs) that, at the age of Twenty-Three, he was worth more than \$1 million; one year

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The Joseph Anointing

(Genesis 39:1-10)

By Atty. Lyndon P. Caña

(Edited Transcription of the Baccalaureate Message delivered by Atty. Lyndon P. Caña from the video coverage of the 2012 Baccalaureate Service, 8:00 AM, April 15, 2012, Rose Memorial Auditorium, CPU.)

Genesis 39:1-10

New International Version 1984 (NIV1984)

Joseph and Potiphar's Wife

39 Now Joseph had been taken down to Egypt. Potiphar, an Egyptian who was one of Pharaoh's officials, the captain of the guard, bought him from the Ishmaelites who had taken him there.

2 The LORD was with Joseph and he prospered, and he lived in the house of his Egyptian master. 3 When his master saw that the LORD was with him and that the LORD gave him success in everything he did, 4 Joseph found favor in his eyes and became his attendant. Potiphar put him in charge of his household, and he entrusted to his care everything he owned. 5 From the time he put him in charge of his household and of all that he owned, the LORD blessed the household of the Egyptian because of Joseph. The blessing of the LORD was on everything Potiphar had, both in the house and in the field. 6 So he left in Joseph's care everything he had; with Joseph in charge, he did not concern himself with anything except the food he ate.

Now Joseph was well-built and handsome, 7 and after a while his master's wife took notice of Joseph and said, "Come to bed with me!"

8 But he refused. "With me in charge," he told her, "my master does not concern himself with anything in the house; everything he owns he has entrusted to my care. 9 No one is greater in this house than I am. My master has withheld nothing from me except you, because you are his wife. How then could I do such a wicked thing and sin against God?" 10 And though she spoke to Joseph day after day, he refused to go to bed with her or even be with her.

Thank you very much for those very kind words of introduction! Let all the praise and glory belong to the Lord alone!

Let's come to the Lord in prayer. Father God we thank you for this day that you have wonderfully ordained to bless these wonderful people who have gathered here today, most especially the graduates who have finished all that is required of them and are now ready to take a journey - a journey of life. Thank you even for the song (Fill The World With Love by Petula Clark, sung A cappella by Rudel Obed Dianala, Joel Somosierra, and Jason Pagunsan) that you have used to provoke our mind and spirit to reflect upon this occasion. At the sunset of our lives, we ask ourselves have we been brave and strong and true. Lord, make that question alive now as we come to your Holy Word. May the Spirit of the living God who makes your living Word alive make his Word alive in our midst today and may His Word not only be some far out general truth. Let it be personal. Let it make sense. Let it speak individually to each and every one of us and we commit this time to You now, in Jesus' name, amen.

Life is a journey and our dear graduates, this morning you are about to take that journey. And when you take a journey you hope to land in

some beautiful destination somewhere. Gusto ninyo nga malab-ot ang ginahandum nga kadtuan. You pray that the journey itself would be well. Baw, kabay pa nga there would be no shipwreck along the way. Kabay pa nga wala mga remalaso along the way. And everybody is expectant, very much full of hope. And your University the Central Philippine University, as a final act of affirmation and love and support for you is giving you one last offering, one last help by way of this Baccalaureate Service to give you something for your journey. It's not going to give you any more any other academic instruction. You are through with that. There will be no more requirements for paper work. That has ended. But one last final act of help. One last final act of encouragement before you say good-bye to Central Philippine University. May ipabalon, and I pray, in my spirit, that as you sit there now, my dear graduates, with your family and mentors, here gathered around you, may you have open hearts, open minds, to receive this gift, and this gift is the Word of God. This gift is the living Word of God that you

will take with you on your journey. And this morning my dear brother and sisters, friends, my dear graduates especially, this particular word, by way of a gift that is being given to you by the Spirit of God through his Word, we shall call it "The Joseph Anointing."

We want you to receive the Joseph Anointing this morning-what did Joseph receive when he took his own journey in life because it was a crazy journey. It was an unbelievable journey. It was an unexpected journey with all its twists and turns. Grabe gid ya ini nga journey. And as I look at you now, I see ahead of you years. There

will be storms. There will be beautiful days. There will be twists and turns that you will not have predicted. With all your education, it is impossible to predict the weathers of life. You would not know what seas you will travel through and we better take the Joseph Anointing with us.

Katahum sini sang istorya ni Joseph. He was somewhere of the same age when he took his journey. He was 19 years old when he began this journey described in Genesis 39. But unlike you, you who are beginning your journey on a note of celebration, Joseph began his journey on a note of crisis.

CRISIS

Problema! Daku daku nga problema. Genesis 39:1 tells us and in the New International Version (NIV) of the Holy Bible. Katahum sang New Living Translation but I am using the NIV. There is a word here that describes everything concerning the beginning of Joseph's journey and that little expression here found in verse 1 is the expression "taken down." Joseph had been taken down to Egypt. He did not want to go to Egypt. He was forced to go to Egypt. He did not like Egypt. He had no plans of going to Egypt. That was not his plan. A 19 year-old Jewish boy has absolutely no plans on going to Egypt. But he began his journey on a CRISIS. Why?

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Life Sciences Faculty Tour Vietnam and Cambodia

By Dr. Luisito T. Conducta


The Life Sciences Department faculty had its annual Summer Tour 2012 last April 1-7 in Ho Chi Minh City (formerly Saigon), Vietnam with an extended tour to Phnom Penh and Siem Reap, Cambodia. Faculty members who joined included LSD Chair Stella Fernandez, Dr. Nicolas Guanzon, Jennifer Juarez, Imelda Ygan and Dr. Relicardo Coloso from the College of Medicine. Also joining were Dr. Luisito Conducta and his family (wife Susan, children Patrick, David, Stephen and girlfriend Arlene Regalado).

The visited sites in Ho Chi Minh included a Mekong River cruise (with the floating market), the Nam Quoc lacquer handicrafts showroom and the world-famous Cu Chi Tunnels used by the Vietcong during the Vietnam War. Of course, the tour wouldn't be complete without the recommended shopping at the Bentham Night Market and Saigon Square.

In Phnom Penh, Cambodia the faculty members were reunited with former faculty Debbie Marsha Sian, who is working part-time as an elementary school teacher. Pastor Cris Sian (husband of Debbie) served as the tour guide in their visit to the Genocide Museum, a memorial to the Khmer Rouge killing fields, the S-21 prison complex and the Royal Palace where a concurrent ASEAN Summit was being held. The mandatory shopping was at the Russian Market with its famous silver jewelry.

Tourist haven Siem Reap (also in Cambodia) brought the group in contact with Centralians Loven and Faith Ramos, owners of the art and boutique Hotel 1961 where the group was billeted (See Feature Story: 2 Centralians And A Hotel, p7). What followed was a tour of five temples (out of the 9 temples representing the 9 kingdoms) of the world-famous Angkor Wat temple complex. Dinner was at Sophea Restaurant where we

met Ms. Faith Dequito, a WVSU alumna. The dinner buffet came with a cultural show.

Aside from being exposed to different cultures and visiting historical landmarks and World Heritage sites, the tour enabled the faculty members to reunite and reestablish connections with CPU alumni who are well-established and making good in our ASEAN neighbor countries. Overall, the educational trip was well worth it, despite the budgetary constraints and the hectic schedule. 



(Bottom left) Ta Phromh (1186) one of 9 temples in Angkor Wat, representing the 9 kingdoms; location of the movie "Lara Croft: Tomb Raider" starring Angelina Jolie; (L-r) Imelda Ygan, Stella Fernandez, Nicolas Guanzon, Jennifer Juarez, Reli Coloso and Luisito Conducta.

(Top) Angkor Wat (L-r) Nicolas Guanzon, Stella Fernandez, Reli Coloso, David Conducta, Susan Conducta, Arlene Regalado, Stephen Conducta and Patrick Conducta.



The LSD Group and family with Cris (Standing 2nd from right) and Debbie (Sitting 3rd from right) Sian, hosts at Phnom Penh, Cambodia.

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Africa and Europe among others.

In 2004, Dr. Biron was elected Congressman representing the Fourth District of the Province of Iloilo. He pursued the "Matuwid na Daan" long before President Noynoy became President. He instituted concrete reforms in the disbursements of public funds. He publicly declared ZERO S.O.P. or ZERO LAGAY in all infrastructure projects and other programs implemented in the 4th District of Iloilo.

In his three terms, he had aggressively implemented subsidized hospitalization program at WVMC, Iloilo, Philippine Heart Center, National Kidney Institute and other

hospitals. Annually, he allocates at least 8 million pesos in subsidized hospitalization; 7 million pesos in College Scholarship and 8 million pesos in school supplies for 80 thousand elementary and high school students in the 4th district. At least 200-300 million pesos are spent annually on concreting of national roads within the 4th District.

Dr. Biron is the principal author of the Cheaper Medicines Law of 2008, otherwise known as Republic Act 9502. Despite the lobby and opposition of multinational companies against the measure, he successfully shepherded one of the most important pieces of social legislation in recent history.

Manila Centralians Hold Annual Picnic at Cavite

It's More Fun in CPU Alumni Association of Greater Manila!


The CPU Alumni Association of Greater Manila held its Annual Picnic at Agape Life Center, Minatok East, Amadeo, Cavite, May 19, 2012.

The Potluck Picnic attendees assembled at Jollibee Aguinaldo Highway near Tagaytay Rotunda at 7:30 AM that day and departed at around 8:30 to the venue in Cavite.

For updates, contact 09189366474 or 09228931216 (Rey Cordova) 


In his third term, he was elected Member of the powerful Commission on Appointments (CA) and chaired the Committee on Trade and Industry of the CA. Presently, he is the Assistant Majority Leader and Vice-Chair of the Committees on Trade and Industry, Foreign Affairs & Inter-Parliamentary Relations and Diplomacy.

Dr. Biron was a Centennial Awardee, cited as one of the most outstanding alumni of both Central Philippine University and West Visayas State University in 2005 and 2008 respectively.

Born to humble parents, Mayor Hernan D. Biron of Barotac Nuevo and Diana Gonzales of Negros Occidental, he is 47 years old. 

Bandiola...1

Antique. Kim Christian is the son of Arnaldo and Teresa Zilfa Galaez of Brgy. Quintin Salas, Jaro, Iloilo City while, Stella is the daughter of Pablo, Jr. and Ma. Ceciliene Leda of Lambunao, Iloilo.

Meanwhile, Justine D. Palmes, BTh, garnered the Alton Bigelow Memorial Award/Alma Mater Award. Justine is the daughter of Renato and Sonia Palmes of Ma-ao, Bago City. To obtain the Alma Mater Award (Alton Bigelow Memorial Award), one must be a member of a bona fide Convention Baptist Church, honor graduate (at least Cum Laude) and must pass the following criteria for the selection and their corresponding weights: Christian Living - 50%; Academic Standing - 30%; Co-Curricular Activities - 20%. In case of a tie, loyalty to the University would be considered, and that is, ones attendance to the University from Kindergarten up to college. 

Solid waste...1

Regional Ecology Center of the DENR-EMB, said the establishment of this diploma and certificate-based curricula is in partnership with the Deutsche Gesellschaft fur Internationale (GIZ).

Romalloso said this is a response to the need for institutionalized professional education in integrated waste management systems, which is lacking not only in Western Visayas but the country as well.

Romalloso said the Diploma in Environmental Resource Management and Technologies major in Solid Waste Management (ERMAT-SWM) is comprised of seven courses.

Under this Diploma, two certificates plus project study may be obtained, namely, Certificate in Environmental Management and Technology, Certificate in Environmental Planning and Socio-Economics, and Project Study.

Three courses are under the Certificate in Environmental Management and Technology, namely ERM-SWM 121-Environmental Principles and Resource Management Concepts, ERM-SWM 122- Waste Collection, Processing and Monitoring, and ERM-SWM 123- Sanitary Landfill Technology.


For the Certificate in Environmental Planning and Socio-Economics, these are the following courses: ERM-SWM 111-Environmental Principles and Legal Framework, ERM-SWM 112-Environmental Socio-Economics, and ERM-SWM 113- Environmental Planning and Project Management.

On the other hand, ERM-SWM 124, which is for Project Study, is the final requirement for the conferment of the degree, where the student chooses his particular field of study.

Meanwhile, Regional Ecology Center (REC) Program Coordinator Armando Dayrit of the DENR-EMB, said that many of the problems associated with non-compliance of the LGUs to the provisions of Republic Act 9003 or the Solid Waste Management Act, other than lack of priority, is also lack of knowledge and skills of

those in-charge of SWM program.

Dayrit said the opening of the course is among the goals of the REC realized, that is, the mainstreaming of solid waste management efforts in the schools. (JCM/ESS/PIA-Iloilo)

For more details, please contact the CPU College of Agriculture, Resources and Environmental Sciences at 033-3291971 local 1096 or 1071. 

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later, his worth soared to more than \$10 million and went to exceed \$100 million by the time he turned Twenty-Five. Impressive though it may be, it wasn't important to him, because "I never did it for the money. Being the richest man in the cemetery doesn't matter to me. Going to bed at night saying we've done something wonderful—that's what matters to me."

Indeed, Steve Job's passion for innovation created breakthrough ideas that led to the discovery of a string of revolutionary devices that have impacted millions of satisfied Apple customers including myself. Without Steve Jobs, there would be no iPad, no iPod, and no iPhone today. Truly, he put a dent in the universe.

Now start asking yourself. What wonderful thing do you want to do for others? Are you planning to put a dent in your own universe?

As members of the graduating class of 2012 and about to be labelled as members of the global community of Centralians, you should find your passion. Once you do, you will be on your way to creating great ideas to transform the lives of others.

You have to know your purpose. There are three (3) questions you need to respond to:

- 1.) Where would you like to go?
- 2.) How far can you go?
- 3.) How do you get there from here?

The first question of "where would you like to go" is partly answered by what you have accomplished today. Each graduate has finished a respective degree and this achievement is driven by the power of a dream. Each one today had long wanted to become a nurse, a doctor, an engineer, a lawyer, a teacher, a theologian, a biologist, an agriculturist. Remember, this: success is a journey, it has just started. Henry Ford asserted that "the whole secret of a successful life is to find out what it is one's destiny to do, and then do it". I tell you, get rid of your pride and believe in your ability to succeed. Be a God-fearing Centralian and be the best in your chosen field.

The second question is "how far can you go?" You can reach for the stars or the moon! It is only a matter of attitude. John Maxwell said, "Your attitude determines your altitude." But there is one attitude I wish to share with you that has a significant impact in my life and that is the attitude of giving. **Giving is not determined by how much you have but by what you do with what you have. Giving is the highest level of living.**

Finally, ask yourself, how do you get there from here? Do you want to do it by plane? By train? By bus or by boat? Do you want to plan your travel by going on-line or through the travel agent? The choice is yours. I chose to travel with God as my pilot. Be certain that you have set your goals so that you will know exactly your priorities and spend your energy on what is critical and important.

Being in public service is challenging because the government system in the country is inherently corrupt. To remain honest in a corrupt system is a Herculean task. I am proud to tell you that in my three (3) terms as Representative of the Fourth Congressional District of Iloilo, I stood by my oath not to betray the trust of my people that I should be accountable to everything that I do and above all as a public servant, I should remain blameless. **I had successfully overcome every temptation to steal from the coffers of the government because my teacher in character education, Mrs. Pat Lopez had repeatedly reminded us not to steal anything from anyone. Ma'am Lopez you will be very happy to know that your valuable teachings meant millions of savings from infrastructure projects that could have gone to the pocket of a corrupt congressman.** This is not about getting a degree from a university. This is about investing in the character of people that Central Philippine University had educated in the last century. This investment will live on in the centuries ahead. CPU builds character, not wealth.


As Warren Buffet, the third wealthiest man on the planet said, "I hire people with character. Intelligence and hard work come next because without character, intelligence and hard work are useless." I say, it is not wealth. It is not fame or glory. **It is character that defines a man.**

Now I know why CPU had invited me today. I had proven to my alma mater that her ten years of investment in my life were all worth it. That the education I secured from CPU led me to become a transforming Centralian.

Just like Steve Jobs, a Centralian can transform the world, the way I did in the Pharmaceutical Industry. A Centralian can transform and create new paradigm in public service, the way I did in the Fourth District of Iloilo. As a Centralian, wherever we are, whatever we do, be ready to transform your community because if you do, we shall be able to transform this country and the world.

I shall always cherish this moment. Thank you so much Central Philippine University for making Congressman Ferj Biron what he is today.

Before I end, allow me to invite all High School alumni to join us in next year's Centennial Celebration of the CPU High School set on August 30-31, 2013.

In closing, I wish to extend my warmest congratulations and best wishes to all our graduates today. May the Lord bless you so that you will be a blessing to others! 

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LOVEN & FAITH RAMOS: 2 CENTRALIANS AND 1 HOTEL

Dr. Luisito T. Conducta



(L-r) Faith Ramos, Nicolas Guanzon, Luisito Conducta, Jennifer Juarez, Imelda Ygan, Stella Fernandez and Loven Ramos

The faculty members from the CPU Life Sciences Department arrived in Siem Reap, the tourist capital of Cambodia, after a six-hour bus ride from Phnom Penh. in the early morning hours and was methodically picked up by a hotel van arranged by Loven Ramos (CPU Elem.'91, H.S.'95) and Faith Famoso-Ramos (CPU MassCom '01), owners and managers of a quaint and unique hotel that is getting favorable reviews from international travelers, the Hotel 1961.

Immediately upon arrival, we were graciously met by Loven and Faith who easily made the group at home, as if we were relatives visiting a provincial ancestral home. Loven served us a breakfast buffet, consisting of Cambodian sausage, scrambled eggs, baked beans, fried rice, coffee and tea, served Khmer style in a strip of wood in the middle of the table which was continuously replenished.

The husband-and-wife team also arranged for our hired van, driver and tourist guide to five selected temples (our itinerary) to the Angkor Wat temple complex.

Such is the personalized approach of Hotel 1961 which you cannot find even in five-star hotels in the vicinity.

Hotel 1961 is primarily an address for art. Housed in a 1960's style villa which was formerly a private home turned into a local karaoke bar, and is now being resurrected into a creative complex comprising of a series of galleries, artists' and designers' studios,

dining and shopping destinations, and including an eight-room creative hotel. Loven likes to call it an "art hotel."

As Loven explains it, Hotel 1961 "came to us as an inspiration to the NOWNESS of how we all imagined the future to be in the sixties." It was the decade of revolution in the arts, fashion, architecture, politics and music. The 1960's were also Cambodia's golden age. Hotel 1961 partially opened on January 2011. The 50th anniversary of the inauguration of former U.S. President John F. Kennedy and the year King Norodom Sihanouk abdicated his throne to become the Kingdom's head of state.

The initial eight rooms of the hotel are mini-galleries by themselves, with the guests partially designing it, making the creation of each room a living art space.

The rooms that host individual artistry have curated beddings, hand-painted pillow cases, book-filled shelves, and walls riddled with literary musings. Each room has a story in itself: the Norodom Suite, the Kennedy Room, the Cold War Room, the Vann Molyvann Room, A Hard Day's Night, the Beatniks, and the Pop Gallery.

The Museum of Forgotten Dreams houses a café which serves local delicacies and is decorated with memorabilia done in the spirit of the '60s. Experience collaborative cuisine at Galerie V, with its collection of hearty homemade

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The Joseph...3

His family was dysfunctional. Nag-away ang iya nga familia. May kina awayon sang mga utod. Kag may hinisaay. And one thing led to another. Diutayan siya ginpatay. There was evil in the family. The trouble, the quarrel in the family resulted in an attempted homicide. Diutayan siya ginpatay. Maayo lang nga there was an interception. So ginbaligya na lang siya. And so we find these words "taken down" by the slave traders, sold as a slave. He began his journey with a CRISIS. You begin your journey with a celebration. Your parents are here with you. But my question to you is: Are you sure where your journey will take you? Si Toto Joseph, 19-yrs old, he began on a very, very bad start. It was totally beyond his control. But the Word of the Lord says that he was taken down.

And so the journey of Joseph began with a CRISIS but, praise the Lord! The Lord is good! Joseph, although in the midst of CRISIS, had an unbeatable comfort.

COMFORT

All these things that I am sharing with you by way of the Joseph Anointing you will find them very easy to remember because they all begin with the letter "C". So that wherever you go, you read Genesis 39 again you will never forget the truths that the Lord is revealing to you today. He began with a crisis but the Lord gave him insuperable COMFORT. Unbeatable COMFORT. What was that COMFORT? Katahum sini sang versiculo nga naga-follow, verse 2. And it simply says this way, "The Lord was with Joseph." Beautiful! Simple English, simple sentence, simple truth but very, very powerful. Very, very comforting. The Lord was with Joseph. I'd like to ask you graduates this morning. On the journey that you are taking, beginning on a note of celebration, I'd like to ask you this frank and straight-forward question: Do you have a sure sense that the Lord is with you? Are you very, very sure that the Lord is with you? I hear a very beautiful whisper "Yes." Hugton tani ang sense of the "Lord being with us" because right now you have your diploma with you. Right now you have your degree with

you. Right now you have your parents with you, and your relatives and your mentors and your friends. But the \$2 million question is: At the end of the day, at the sunset of my life, when I ask myself the question, have I been brave and strong and true? The true, real, back-breaking issue, resolving question is – Has the Lord been with me? Is the Lord with me? The Bible says, "The Lord was with Joseph." – so crucial. So critical is this that this little expression is repeated four (4) times in Genesis 39. And so wonderful and powerful was the life of Joseph that one-half of the entire book of Genesis is about the life of Joseph. Damo da sang mga patriarchs and giants of the faith. There is Abraham, Noah, etc. But one-half of the book of Genesis is all about the life of this young man, 19-year old, his name was Joseph and in the beginning story of his life, four times the Bible says, "The Lord was with Joseph." Lord was with Joseph! Lord was with Joseph! Lord was with Joseph!

You may have a bank account. You may have an assurance plan. And have mercy on those who have been electrified and electrocuted by the assurance plan. There is no assurance in many assurance plans. And in many insurance there is no insurance there. But the Bible says, "The Lord was with Joseph." And we would like to say "Yes, the Lord is with me." Basi maminsar kita nga the "Lord is always with me." Yesterday I was with the College of Theology and I was in the midst of bible students. In Bible School, in theology, they say that God is omnipresent. God is everywhere. So in one sense, it is correct to say that the Lord is always with you. But there are different kinds of the manifestation of the presence of the Lord. He is with you but not always in the same capacity. Sometimes the Lord is present in the capacity as Judge of all the earth - holy and righteous in all His ways. And that kind of a presence is not very comforting. It is a terrifying presence of the Lord because His holiness looks at all unrighteousness and all unholiness. Sometimes the Lord is with us in His capacity as Creator - sustaining nature. With sunshine and rain and when He sees the environmental abuse He is upset. And He does

not like much of what He sees in the world today. The question is: In what capacity is the Lord with you?

I know a woman. Her name is Mary Ann. Before 1995 you will ask me: This girl Mary Ann, from La Carlota, is she with you, Lyndon? I will say, "Yes she was with me. She was with me yesterday in church. She was with me the other day in the mall." But after January 7, 1995, you ask me that question again: Is Mary Ann with you? I will tell you, one more time, but differently, "Yes she is with me and she will always be with me, because she has become my wife." (Paused) That is now a different presence of Mary Ann in my life. Even now when she is not physically here - she is in Bacolod. She is with me. And I am with her.

I want to ask you one more time: Is the Lord with you? In what capacity is the Lord with you? As Judge? As Creator? Is He with you as Saviour? As Shepherd, as Redeemer, as Friend? That's the \$2million question that we better resolve before we say good-bye to CPU. Grabe ni ang oras nga gin-usik sang CPU sa pag pakilala sa inyo sa Diyos sang sini nga universo. Tanan ni nga mga Christ Emphasis Week kag tanan nga balanog sang inyo nga dulungan sang pamati sang wali. Kag tanan nga gutgut nga inyo ginbatyag kay obligado kamo mag attend. Amo ina ang ginatwag nga "pilit sang gugma." Ang gugma ga pamilya mo. Ginapilit gid kamo mag attend gina check attendance. Kay gusto gid sang Central Philippine University that you will know in a very personal way the Lord of the universe.

Gasiling kita nga the Lord is with us pero ang Bible nagasiling, Romans 3:23, "For all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God." The book of Isaiah says, "Sin separates us from the Lord." And Romans 6:23 says, "The wages of sin is death." The word death is not merely kamatayan kundi the essential Hebrew meaning of the word death is separation. That is why physical death is separation of the soul from the body. Spiritual death is the separation of the Spirit from God. Eternal death is the forever and ever separation of man from God in hell. The wages of sin is death. But John 3:16 tells us, "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son that whosoever believes in Him shall not perish but have everlasting life." Ephesians 2:8-9 says, "For by grace are we saved through faith, not of ourselves. It is the gift of God." This gift has to be accepted. John 1:12, "For as many as received Him to them He gave the right to become the children of God." And even now as we speak, Rev. 3:20 is happening. What does it say, "Behold I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in to him, eat with him, and fellowship with him, and he will be with me and I will be with him." It is in that sense that Central Philippine University wants the Lord to be with you - with you in your heart, with you in your life, 24/7, 366 days in a

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Dear Parents, Faculty and Staff, Alumni, Students and Friends,

This is my fourth year as Central Philippine University President and yet each school opening never fails to excite me. I hope that you share the same excitement.

Excitement for growth. Excitement for what could be. Excitement in the hope that each year could see us a notch or notches higher than where we were last year and closer to the goals that we have set. Excitement in seeing what God has in store for this University.

New academic programs

In response to the needs around us, we are offering several new academic programs this school year.

BS Pharmacy is not a new course in itself; in 1947, classes in Pharmacy at CPU began. This enabled small neighborhood pharmacies to be born. In the late 1960's, the program was terminated due to the decline in the interest in pharmaceutical education. Now we see a revitalized pharmaceutical industry. This in itself was highlighted by our recent College Commencement Speaker, Hon. Ferj Biron.

BS Real Estate Management hopes to address the need of the real estate industry and is based on CHED Memo Order No. 28, Series of 2011.

Some diploma programs in agriculture are being offered for college graduates who are non-agriculturists. CPU hopes to contribute in an increasing measure to national food security. It is a privilege to have the German International Cooperation as a partner for these endeavors.

International Packaging Conference and Exhibition

On July 25-28, 2012, CPU will host GlobalPack 2012: International Packaging Conference and Exhibition with the theme *A New Roadmap for Export Packaging*. Leading the list of illustrious speakers will be World Packaging Organization President Mr. Thomas Schneider and CPU alumnus and US Hall of Famer in Packaging Dr. Lejo C. Braña. I enjoin everyone to support this endeavor through participation or sponsorship. It is hoped that we could gather 2,200 SMEs on the 25th and 800 participants on the 26th and 27th. The event will be capped with a golf tournament on the 28th. As the theme signifies, we believe that there is a huge export potential waiting to be tapped. The launching of the packaging and testing laboratory at CPU hopes to support the business sector in this endeavor.

Central Spirit Lives Campaign

Thank you for the support of Centralians and friends for the ongoing Central Spirit Lives (CSL) Campaign, the umbrella program for all fund-raising programs of CPU. As of May 31, 2012, the status of the campaign is as follows:

	In Pesos
Grants/ Project Funding/Cash Awards	4,533,850
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Pledges	8,182,900
TOTAL	37,891,885

Thank you to all who have pledged and given gifts. Some of you have assured us of your prayers and those are as needful as other gifts that could be given to CPU. This is very encouraging yet we still have a long way to go to hit the target of P250million within the remaining two years of the Campaign. Gifts for CPU may be made towards programs on Spiritual Heritage, Scholarships, Faculty and Staff Development, Physical Facilities Development and Maintenance, Sports, Culture and Arts Development.

One of the Top

In the recent University strategic planning workshop, the dream of being one of the top universities in the country was unanimously adopted. This is a dream that we hope to nurture to reality. The great Dr. William O. Valentine would have agreed:

If it is worthwhile having a school, it is worthwhile while having a good one. People will not respect a feeble institution. We must be up to the demands of the hours. . . Shall we neglect to lay foundations which will give permanence and stability to our work? Shall we be satisfied with meager results?

Yet years from now, we still would like to be able to echo with Pres. J.T. Howard who said in his annual report in 1963:

Education without spiritual moorings is bound to drift. Hence, the accent on a solid spiritual foundation based on the life and teachings of the Lord Jesus Christ. Since its founding in 1905, Central has never deviated from this noble cause in developing the lives of the young people who have come here for study and growth.

The call has been sounded. Together, let us shape the future.

Sincerely,

(SGD.) TEODORO C. ROBLES, Ph. D.

President



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year, including a leap year. The Lord be with you in your journey, as Saviour, as Lord! But is does not come automatically. You have to accept it. Mamangkot kamo, "Bro. Lyndon what does it mean to be with the Lord, to accept the Lord?" Parehas man lang na sang pagpangaluyag. Will you accept me to be your boyfriend? Will you accept me to be your husband? The moment the girl says "Yes," then you are now with her and she is now with you in a very different way. This is not religion. CPU does not peddle religion. We are persuading you to accept relation, not religion. Relationship. Receive the Lord as your Saviour. So that you can say with the psalmist in Psalm 23, "The Lord is my Shepherd I shall not lack anything I need. He leads me beside the still waters. He restores my soul. He leads me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake so that even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death I will fear no evil for Thou art with me." Amo na ya ang buot silingon sang "He is with me." He is with me. The Lord was with Joseph. Because the Lord was with Joseph, number 3. The comfort of Joseph resulted in an unusual, supernatural care for Joseph.

CARE

His CRISIS was assuaged by a COMFORT. The COMFORT resulted in a CARE. Gin atipan gid siya ya sang Diyos kay ang Ginoo indi gid ya ya mag tugot nga pabay-an siya. I'm looking at a sea of graduates. I do not know how many of you will attempt to leave the country in search of greener pastures. I am a child of a migrated family. As I stand before you now, I am the last man standing in a ship of family. I have 5 other brothers and sisters, all of them have become American citizens or immigrants. I'm the only Filipino left in the family. But I praise the Lord a few years ago my brother gave up his Green Card because he was now being required to be an American citizen. He left the United States, surrendered his Green Card. The Consul said, "Are you crazy?" He said, "No I am not."

But it is very lonely to be left behind. They all went for greener pastures. I went through all the major events of my life without my mother beside me because she worked as a nurse in New York, New York, USA-St. Luke's Roosevelt Hospital in New York. Graduation in Elementary she was not there. Graduation in college she was not there. Graduation in College of law she was not there. I passed the Bar she was not there. I took my oath she was not there. (Paused, laughter) That was the journey that I took. But the Lord was with me. The Lord was with me. The grace of the Lord that blessed my family in the United States is the same powerful grace of the Lord that sustained me in Villamonte, Bacolod City which I never left. It does not depend on where you are. It depends on WHO is with you. Even if you go to the United States 49 thousand times if the Lord is not with you, you will line-up there in the food stamps, if the Lord is not with you. Even

if you stay here in Crossing Kamatis...there is really a place called Crossing Kamatis, Crossing Sibucan - if the Lord is with you, the Lord will take care of you. And because the Lord was with Joseph, katahum sang ginhambal sang Bible, he prospered in everything he did. The Lord blessed him with prosperity, position, and protection. Tanan nga tandugon niya...and please remember he was a slave and yet he prospered.

My brother, in a sense, was a slave, when he worked as an engineer in Japan. His salary was very small. But the Lord was with my brother, John Paul, he was a graduate of Electronics and Communications Engineering. Worked like a slave in Japan. But the Lord was with him. He always began his day reading the Bible and praying. After only 3 years in Japan he produced two (2) patents that Uniden Company bought from him-concerning a technology for a cellular phone. My brother, even though he was, in a sense, a slave, but the Lord was with him. Now, he is based in Texas working for a very big company.

It does not matter kun diin ka. Basta the Lord is with you. Just be sure that the Lord is with you. And because the Lord was with him he prospered, the Lord was with him he was given favour and position, the Lord was with him he was protected. But it is not enough that the Lord favours us with protection. There is a fourth level of the Joseph Anointing which I want you my dear CPU graduates to take along with you. May the COMFORT of the Lord and the CARE of the Lord result in the 4th C...competence and character in your life.

COMPETENCE AND CHARACTER

Baw kabay pa. Kabay pa nga indi kita mangin lipong nga bangrus. Kabay pa nga indi gid nga mangin hangag kita kag mga ulianon, kag mga... You know, you can be spiritual and yet be incompetent. You might be so heavenly minded, as one giant preacher said, "Some people are so heavenly minded, they are no earthly good."

I'll give you one example of "lipong nga bangrus." May isa ka boy nga pirme gid nagatikal sa iya nga boss. Ka pala sugid gid nga maalam siya kag tigas siya. Pero daw na piyaran sang boss nga daw medyo kulang-kulang and iya paino-ino. So one time the boss tested this boy. They were in the house of the boss eating, and the boss said, "Boy, can you please check in my office and find out if I am there? Puede mo ma check palihog sa opisina kon ato ko to?" Then the boy, very eager to prove his worth, he immediately ran out of the house to go to the office to check if the boss was there. After 5 minutes, he came back. He said, "Boss, Boss, ngaa nga makadto pa ko to kay may telepono man? Aaah...(Laughter) Amo na ang example ko sang "lipong nga bangrus."

Baw kabay pa. Kabay pa nga Diosnon kita... upod kita sa Ginoo...baw kabay pa nga sa obra naton...sa mga ginsalig sa aton nga kaptan...baw kabay pa ga andar ang utok naton...ang aton nga sense of responsibility...verse 6, the Bible tells

us that with Joseph in charge everything that was left in his care prospered. May we be very responsible Filipino Christian graduates who will work whether abroad or here. May we be responsible with our time keeping, with money entrusted to us, with things given to us. Ang mga salakyan nga ginapagamit sang kumpanya sa aton indi tana pag pangbonggo. Ang mga laptop nga ginapagamit sa aton indi ta pagpangulaan mga kape. Dason ma request naman sang replacement. Tadlongon ta ang pangabuhì ta kag serioson ta ang paghandle ta sang mga obra ta, kon kita mga Diosnon nga mga tawo. That was the 4th thing that Joseph displayed in his life.

And then Joseph, number 5, had a beautiful characteristic trait. He was tempted because he was well-built and handsome. Sala gid ni Joseph nga ka guapo sa iya. Kon na diskubrehan lang ni sang PBB si Joseph, siya gid ni ang Pinoy Big Brother nga Champion. Guapohon, buot, Diosnon, matarung. Ti, tungod nga ka guapo sa iya, baw, basi puerte ka hot ini ang asawa ni Potiphar. This Mrs. Potiphar could not be satisfied with her own husband. Kabalo na gid ni siya ining 19+ year-old nga graduate of CPU nga guapohon, Diosnon, saga niya gid kutibaw kag... pamisuk gid...pirme lang siya naga...ang iya nga perfume puerte ka mahal duwa ka kilometro bal-an mo nga...(laughter)...puerte ka tugnaw sa Egypt, ga 6 degrees ang yelo pero ga backless man siya gyapon (laughter). Kag kon diin gid ga templa si Joseph didto gid na siya maagi. Sagay niya gid tentar ini si Joseph. Pero puerte ang conviction ni Joseph.

CONVICTION

The 5th Joseph Anointing. His conviction is just amazing. You check your Bible again Genesis 39, I will not be long but you check the Bible it says there, "Everyday..."grabe gid ni si Mrs. Potiphar... ambot kon ano ang gina inom niya ni nga...organic kag herbal nga... (laughter) basi tongkat ali guro ni ang... (Laughter) Indi gid siya mag ano ya...she refused to let go on Joseph. But Joseph refused. And look at the basis for the refusal of Joseph. Indi bala may ara nga sugilanon bisan diri sa Pilipinas, "Ang laki, laki gid na ya!" Kis-a may nga mag asawa ma sunggod sunggod si Mrs. kay Mr. kay may gina sagay text. Mahibi sa maninoy, sa maninay. Sa tatay, sa nanay. Kon kis-a ga saler ma ni ang kinalibutanon nga sugilanon. Inday batunon mo: Ang laki, lagi gid ya. Sala ina. Indi ina matuod. Ang lalaki nga anak sang Dios, nga tunay nga anak sang Dios, has the strength and the courage to say "NO!" to temptation (paused, audience clapped and cheered). Dali lang gid. Ngaa nga ang babaye lang namalakpak? (Loud laughter) Ang laki...daw indi magpadakup buhi ang mga lalaki. (laughter) But you know, Joseph was very strong with his moral conviction and this was what he said. Beautiful, beautiful words, he said, "My master has withheld nothing from me except you because you are his wife. How then could I do such a wicked

thing and sin against God?" I'll just take 1 minute to hammer on this point. Tan-awa ang pagkalalaki ni Joseph. Number one. He was conscious of God all the time. Puede man siya kasab-og sang iya binhi wala tuo. Ginapaminsar niya ang Dios nga maayo sa iya. Nya amo na ni nga kaayo sang Dios sa akon, torpehon ko pa ang Dios? Slingya indi puede. But, number two, he was such a gentleman that he was considerate of the "other man" who owns this woman. This is a two-level Christianity. The vertical and the horizontal - forming the cross. Dumdum siya sa Dios, dumdum siya sa isig niya ka tawo. That is the cross of Christ. He was thinking of God. I cannot do this against my God who preserved my life, who protected me along the way. And Mr. Potiphar is a good bossing. He is a nice man. He is a husband. He has feelings. He is a Father. I cannot hurt my fellow man. Kun ako man sa lugar ya sakit mani himuon. Amo na ya ang mga tunay nga mga lalaki! One thing, if the RH Bill becomes a law, and they will distribute free condoms in all of the barangays in the Philippines, I hope you gentlemen will think of one thing. The moment they give you free condoms, that means they look at you as an animal not being able to control your passions. Because the underlying philosophy of free distribution of condoms is that men cannot restrain themselves, they just have to put on some balloon on their .45 caliber pistol (laughter)...(long pause)...because it cannot be stopped. The moment somebody gives that to you, you should tell them to their face: I do not need it. My God gives me the strength to live right. I do not need you free hot air balloons. Joseph said, "No, I will not do it." And because he will not compromise, because of the strength of his conviction, he suffered.

May ara diri nga mga salesman. Mga drug reps. Some of you are going to be drug reps. You will do a lot of travelling. It is a courtesy for a fellow drug rep to come to your place, away from their wives, and if you are the host they expect you to bring to them some girls in their hotel. And if these are supervisors and bosses, your promotion will be in danger. May you not forget the Anointing of Joseph. Even if it threatens your promotion, may you have the courage at the end of the day to say, "Sir, I do not do this. Please forgive me but I will not look for a girl for you." Just simply say "No" to sin and temptation. This was the conviction and commitment of Joseph. And then, in spite of problems, and I am now down to my last two points, Joseph had confidence.

CONFIDENCE

He had confidence. Ah, paghambal nya indi, ginhimuan siya istorya. By the way, if you want to be a Joseph, he had one minor problem. When you run away from temptation, remember to bring your jacket with you. He ran away from temptation but, he left behind his jacket. And so, Mrs. Potiphar made a case against him and

said, "Your honor, here is his jacket. He tried to rape me." So you bring all your cell phones, and all your wallets with you when you escape, huh? Do not leave any evidence behind. So, a case was filed against him. He was convicted without trial, put in jail, but you read the entire story of Joseph, you will never hear him complain. Joseph was one guy who never complained against the Lord. His confidence in the ability of the Lord to take care of him was terrific. When he landed in jail again, he was there quietly confident in the Lord. He made no complaints. And because of that, as I end, Genesis 39 ends with this verse: the crown of Joseph, the reward of Joseph.

CROWN

Look at this verse 23, the warden paid no attention to anything under Joseph's care because the Lord was with Joseph and gave him success in whatever he did.

This journey began with a crisis. It ended with a crown. He began as a prisoner. He ended as a president-prime minister. The journey was tough but the Lord was with him and the Lord blessed him.

This is my prayer my dear friends, my dear graduates, as I close this message. After this afternoon, when you receive your diploma, you will begin to leave the shore of security and go on to the high seas of life. You will pursue your dreams. Take the Lord with you. Let the Lord be with you. Receive Him now as your Lord and Personal Saviour. Trust Him. Let Him be your Redeemer, your Friend, your Shepherd. And no matter where the road of life will take you, this is the Word of the Lord: He will be with you. He will never leave you. He will never forsake you. There may be storms. There may be trials but, as the song says: at the sunset of my life, I face this question: have I been brave, and strong and true? May your answer be "Yes, I have been brave and strong and true because Jesus, my Lord and Saviour was with me, each and every step of the way." And at the end of the journey, everything ended well.

Let us pray. Father God in heaven, You see here Your precious young people - very, very young, so full of life, about to take a journey. Ang iban sini Ginoo sa ila nagahamdum magpa abroad. Ang iban sa ila gaplano dira lang. Kun diin man Ginoo sila dal-un sang lawud sang pangabuhi, O Ginoo, kami nga mga naga palangga sa ila, ang ila nga administration, staff, faculty diri sa Central Philippine University, ang ila nga mga pastor, ila nga mga ministro, ang ila nga mga ginikanan, gaisa kami sang pangamuyo sa sini nga mga kabataan, Lord God, kag even those, who are already mature and adult who have taken further courses. Lord we pray in Jesus' name as they take the journey of life today they will receive the Lord. Make the Lord's presence be permanent in their life. Not an occasional presence. Not a religious presence, but a relational presence. Oh Lord, please be


with them. Have mercy on them. Lord be with them as you have been with Joseph. And Father at the end of the road of their journey, let them sing that song with confidence: at the sunset of my life have I been brave and strong and true? May their answer be "Yes!" because you have been with them. Bless them with the Joseph Anointing. And I bless them now with the Joseph Anointing. The Holy Spirit, the Lord will work this message out in their lives. Even in their silence on their seats, Lord, as you hear the prayer of their hearts receiving you as their Lord and Personal Saviour, release unto them, the Joseph Blessing. In the name of the Father, and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen. God bless you! (Clapping)



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At present, he is a member of the Board of Regents of West Negros University, and the pastoral staff of the Bacolod Cosmopolitan Christian Church (BCCC), along Circumferential Road, Bacolod City. He has a radio program, the Intercessor's Hour, aired over DYVS, every Sunday from 8pm - 9pm.

He describes himself as a sinner saved by grace.) 

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