



Community



Members for Sealing



Children

Children were gathered in their traditional clothing and with bamboo band, performed a welcome for us. Welcome service followed, approximately 100 plus children attended. Gave out 115 books to Sunday School children. We then found out they had double booked lunch, so as not to offend we firstly had lunch at Evangelist's and then on to Priest's for a second lunch. Discussions with Officers and Sunday School teachers and then all aboard Jeepney. The one hired does not have padded seating, only timber. Wow, Major Bumsore would have something to write about. On to Kilong-olao where we will stay with Priest overnight. Phones working again and got a report on cyclones in Queensland. All agreed a special prayer will be held during service, scheduled for 7 p.m. tonight. Merrianda again at two places. Had discussions with Officers to resolve some matters in the community. Service at 7 p.m. children's traditional welcome again. Approximately 60 at service, plus children. During service the Priest, who has been elected as Barangay Captain, requested to step back to Assistant Priest, and Assistant Priest to take responsibility of Priest. Blessings were placed on them both. A special prayer was offered for protection of all during the cyclone in Queensland and if sincerity is to count, there was not a dry eye. During the night a very cold snap set in. Even the locals felt it. We all froze and shivered all night. Only a quick dip this morning.



Children welcome



Children welcome



Service at Amti



Service at Kilong-Olao (night by lamp)



Male Choir



Children welcome



Sisters Choir



Blessing on an Officer

Tuesday 1st. February. After thawing out, then breakfast and on jeepney again to move to Daoangan. Elder Dan and Evangelist Ricky left us today to return home. Evangelist Matildo will meet us Wednesday to continue on our journey. Before service the children again entertained us with traditional dances in the Town Square (more room) and then back to rented house for service. Approximately 30 adults plus children crowded into a room. The church owns a lot of land here but down a steep hill and older members are not happy, so we did a deal to swap our block for one up in the village. We can plan to put a prefab on the site once the owner has shifted his two houses. The community is very happy. Lunch

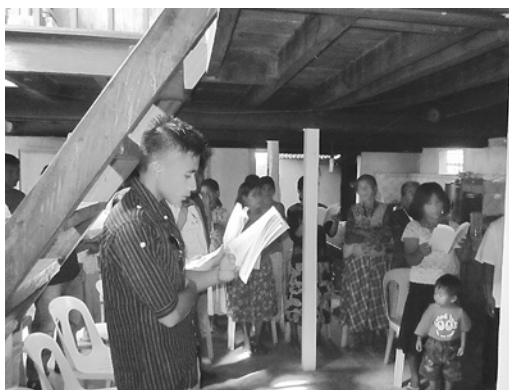
at the Priest's home. Visited home of Sister Lilan, wife of Priest who passed away two weeks ago. On to jeepney again, dusty and bumpy, to Boloney where we had merrianda (again) at the home of the Priest from Bangued and he then showed us a lot of land for sale. On to Bao-yan community, a new community where they have service in Priest's home. Approximately 50 adults plus children and it seems a very sincere community. During service two children were baptised by Bishop Jimmy and four sealed, as they will not be travelling to Lomao for the combined service. Merrianda again after service and then we went to look at and negotiate the purchase of church site as the community has out grown the Priest's home. We agreed to the purchase of a suitable site. This community is also very happy. Back to the Priest's home and guess what? Now we had to have a full meal! Back down the mountain to Manabo. I think it's worse coming down with the stones and dust, but arrived safely. Tonight we are booked into the co-op station. From outside it doesn't look like accommodation but the rooms are clean, bed (no mattress), a central bathroom and showers (cold only and no shower head) but okay for \$6 per person. Back in communication again and phoned home to see how the cyclone was progressing.



Childrens band



Traditional numbers



Service in crowded room



Choir



Service at Bao-yan