

Rudy's Report

June 2019

On Evangelism Ministries

- Holy Week Retreat
- Vacation Bible School
- Youth Camp

Holy Week Retreat

- More than 200 people attended our Holy Week retreat on April 18-21.
- We had Bible studies and film showing besides the congregational meetings.
- After a message on forgiveness, a member came to me and said, *“Somebody came to me and asked for forgiveness. S/he got hit!”*



On Translation Ministry

- Praise the Lord! The translation of Leviticus and Numbers in Isnag have been revised and checked. This brings the total of checked books to 56%.
- I have finished checking the translation of the New Testament in Ayta Abellen, and it is ready for publication.



- On Friday, people were divided into 5 groups, for Bible studies first thing in the morning.
- They studied John 12:1-8, “The Anointing of Jesus.”
- The theme was, *“Anything done for the Lord Jesus is significant.”*

Vacation Bible School



- We conducted our annual Vacation Bible School in 4 villages.
- The VBS team went to these villages spending 3 days in each of the villages.
- The total number of children, who attended, ages 3-10 from these 4 villages was 109. Praise the Lord!

- All VBS materials were in Isnag, which made the children understand completely what was taught.
- They memorized verses in Isnag.
- The children were so enthusiastic, that they come so early to their classes, and begin memorizing their verses.



- They bring to their families what they learned at VBS. Praying before meals is one of the first things they learn. One grandparent shared at the prayer meeting: *“Before supper, my three year old granddaughter said, ‘Mom, dad, could we pray first before we eat.’* They don’t normally pray before meals.
- Please pray that these children will bring their parents to Church.

Youth Camp



- Praise the Lord! This year, there were 63 young people who attended the three day Youth Camp.
- They came from 10 different villages.
- 40 made decisions to accept Jesus Christ into lives as their Lord and Savior.
- 23 rededicated their lives to the Lord.
- Two of the campers indicated their desire to go Bible School.



The campers immersed themselves in the Word of God,

- through their personal devotions in the morning,
- through the group Bible studies
- through the congregational meetings,
- and through informal Bible Studies.



- Sitting comfortably on bare stones, they followed the reading of the Scriptures during congregational meetings, and carefully listened to the preaching of the Word.
- Each camper has his personal copy of the Isnag New Testament.

- The campers fully understood the gospel through personal counselling.
- One camper said, *“I am glad I attended the camp. It became very clear to me what it is to believe in Jesus Christ. I am now very sure that I am a believer in Jesus Christ.”*



Prayer Request

- Please pray for the young people who made decisions for the first time, and those who rededicated the lives to the Lord; that they will continue to walk with Him.
- Please pray for the young children as they boldly bring to their family what they learned at their Vacation Bible School. Please pray that the Lord will use their innocent faith to reach their parents.
- Please pray for our plan for next year. We plan to make the ‘Youth Camp’ a ‘Summer Camp’ in order to accommodate the young adults who want to attend the camp.
- Please pray for our pastors as they disciple the new believers.

Joyfully serving the Lord Jesus among the Isnags in partnership with you,

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