



IBMP's Second Graduation

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I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: 2 Tim. 4:7

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Our full-time Bible institute marches on. We graduated two ladies and two guys...and since we stress ministry, all are eager to enter the ministry. Ray is planning on starting a ministry on Camiguin Island, just off the coast from our city. In fact, we can see the island from the fourth floor of our institute. Some days it is hazy, or completely clouded out, and other days, the island is quite clear. On the days Camiguin is clear, I tease Ray that he cannot go today because he would be going by sight and not by faith. The others are still praying about direction and some are staying to gain their master's degree in ministry. We are glad to retain them.

One of the highlights of my years in the ministry came last month when I was invited to teach the above subject to over one hundred students and teachers in a classroom paid for by the taxpayers of the Philippines. Notice the banner behind me. I tried to present an air-tight argument in favor of the Bible, and if I only caused them to seriously THINK about the foolishness of evolution, I would declare myself a success...Hallelujah!

Creation vs. Evolution



Flannel Graph...Wonderful



All of our students are taught the very profitable use of flannel graph illustrations in the ministry, but there seems to come a natural division between the ladies and men. Our men love to preach, but our ladies love to use flannel graphs. Notice in the photo one of our church ladies (Ira McGinnis), who lives in a rural area, using a flannel graph to teach the kids. We would love to provide all of our female graduates with a full Betty Lukens flannel board set. The ladies would be faithful to use the flannel graph wherever they go. Maybe this could be a Sunday school project for some church in the USA. The large and small sets are discounted for missionaries. Please pray about this.

Personal

Our family is changing a bit. Mary has travelled to Australia to study for a certificate to teach English as a foreign language. We are excited for her but suffer also due to no pianist in the church. What a BIG downer. Robin and I have a special "unspoken" prayer request, which, if the Lord grants, would have a hugely positive effect upon the ministry here...please pray. The Greg Stedman family will be coming permanently in May, and that too will have a hugely positive affect upon the ministry. Exciting times, but even so come Lord Jesus.

Serving with you but in a different foxhole

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