## Josie's Newsletter

February, 2018

## Joy be with you!!!

I trust that all is well with you!!! I am thankful to God for all He has done in times of trials, difficulties, sickness, and brokenness to lead us to repentance. God has allowed all those things to refocus my heart and I trust fully in His higher purpose in my life. Truly the Lord is close to the broken hearted and I realized that I was so busy in the ministry that I did not know the nearness of God - my God is so good. I started to hear God's voice clearly - what He wanted me to do. The Lord spoke to me in Luke 4: 18-19, "the spirit of the Lord is upon me, because He anointed me to preach the Good News to the poor." Before I had a lot of fear and worried how I would maintain the ministry. If we have no support, God knows my situation - He gave me this word. Psalm 23 1-6, "The Lord is my shepherd I shall not want." When I meditated and processed this word, I felt peace. When the Lord dealt with those things in my heart, one email came to me. If possible, we should have a youth musical camp here in Sariava. I was so surprised: because of the opportunity to reach the youth in our community. I said I would pray about it and then I felt the Lord was preparing my heart for this big challenge. His word makes me confident to accept the invitation to join God's activity for the youth. I was so amazed at how the Lord was guiding me for His direction and for His will.







We had a third convocation the first week of February. We received a certificate of recognition for complete attendance, with high honors and achievers.

## **Family Day**

February 24, 2018: We had a wonderful time in our activities on our family day. One of the fathers led us in opening prayer. Most of the fathers were so happy to be a part of our fun run; not only the fathers but the mothers and their children too. It was a great experience for them and good for their bodies. We also had Zumba and games for the families. Then we ate together and called it "boodle fight". Wow, it was a great bonding time together.



























Our pupils have had a wonderful time in our classrooms and in outdoor play. They expressed themselves more and were creative, imaginative and inspired.

We are going into the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter of our assessment. Our pupils in kinder can count from 1 to 30 and know addition and fractions. In reading, they know phonics sounds and short vowel sounds. Our pupils in kinder 2, are ready to read and they know how to skip count (2, 5, 10) and count from 1 to 100. They know addition and subtraction. The children know how to praise, worship and pray.





## **Activities and prayer needs:**

- Moving-up Day: March 26, 2018;
- Youth musical camp: April 9 to 16, 2018;
- pray for the youth leaders and the team who are involved, that they have a word from God and are committed;
- that the Spirit of the Lord ministers to the hearts of those in the youth camp;
- provisions for each of the youth to include bibles, t-shirts, toiletries, and food for 8 days;
- God's provision for each youth 300 pesos;
- prayer;
- wisdom and strength.

Thank you for all your prayers and support.

In His Love, Josie