

WEST SIDE STORY

Rotary
Club of Makati West



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2,304th Meeting (since 1969)
May 6, 2021

SAVE THE DATE!

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**NEVER WASTE A
GOOD CRISIS**

Hosted by: Rtn. Lars Wittig

Meeting Date: Saturday, May 8, 2021 @ 5:00pm

Meeting ID: 878 7957 0945 Passcode: RCMW

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MONTHLY ACTIVITIES

FIRESIDE CHAT

Date: May 8, 2021/ Saturday
Venue: Zoom Conference
Time: 5:00pm
GS: Rtn. Lars Wittig
Title: "Never Waste a Good Crisis!"

CLUB ASSEMBLY

Date: May 12, 2021/ Wednesday
Venue: Zoom Conference
Time: 12nn-2pm

FIRESIDE CHAT

Date: May 18, 2021/ Tuesday
Venue: Zoom Conference
Time: 5:30pm
GS: Rtn. Tonito Payumo &
Rtn. Derrick Santos
Title: "What to expect: PGA, US
Open, The (British) Open,
Tokyo Olympics"

TODAY'S PROGRAM

12:45 Call to Order
PRESIDENT ALASDAIR J.W THOMSON (RCMW)
PRESIDENT EDWARD GAISANO (RCC)

12:47 Invocation
PP JOSE "JOE" SOBERANO (RCC)

12:48 Philippine National Anthem (Video)

12:49 RC Makati West Hymn
PP MON GUERRERO (RCMW)

12:50 Four Way Test
PP JOSE "CHELING" SALA (RCC)

12:51 Introduction of Distinguished Personalities at
the e-presidential table

12:55 **BIRTHDAY CELEBRANTS**
PP Ricky Dakay (RCC) May 2
PP Roque Tordesillas (RCMW) May 7
Rtn. Cesar Villanueva (RCMW) May 8
PP Junvee Vital (RCMW) May 9

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

PP Joe Gapas (RCC) May 6
Sps. Dolores
Rtn. Hans Del Rosario (RCMW) May 8
Sps. Elinor
Rtn. Paul Daza (RCMW) May 9
Sps. Gigi

13:00 Reading of Brother Club Agreement
PRID GUILLER TUMANGAN (RCMW)

Signing
PRESIDENT ALASDAIR J.W THOMSON (RCMW)
PRESIDENT EDWARD GAISANO (RCC)

13:05 RCC and RCMW Gift Of Life
PP LOU DEL ROSARIO (RCMW)
CHAIR RTN. GERRY LIMCAOCO (RCMW)

13:15 Flagship Projects & other GG Projects
RCMW
1) Gift of Sight: **RTN. TIMMY TAN**
2) Gift of Mobility: **DIR. ROBBIE LEVISTE**
3) HIV/AIDS Awareness & Testing:
DIR. GERRY LAPERAL
4) Likhang Sining: **RTN. SCOTT MOORE**
5) Breast & Cervical Cancer Screening:
DIR. LITO MERCADO

13:35 **RCC**
1) Gift of Life: **DIR. GEORGE PARAOAN**
2) Wash: **CHAIR DARWIN JOHN MOISES**
3) PPE: **PP BERNARD VONNS SIA**

13:50 Sharing Fellowship Activities
RCMW Chair:
IPP ERIC TENSUAN & RTN. RON CANG

13:55 RCC Chair:
DIR. JAVI SALA

14:00 Adjournment
PRESIDENT ALASDAIR J.W THOMSON (RCMW)
PRESIDENT EDWARD GAISANO (RCC)

Moderator
DGND JAY TAMBUNTING (RCMW)



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



ALASDAIR J.W THOMSON
President, RY 2020 - 2021

Men of Action!,

I first went to Cebu in March 1991, just a couple of months after I first came to the Philippines. At that time it was a true delight and stark contrast to Metro Manila. There was no traffic, everything seemed to work well and business was thriving. The madness of successive coup attempts in Manila seemed to puzzle the locals, who were happy to dissociate themselves from life in Luzon. It was no wonder that at that time the local government was promoting Cebu / Mactan overseas as "an island in the Pacific" rather than as part of the Philippines.



So it was with great delight that I later spent a three month period living in Cebu as the sales manager for Visayas / Mindanao (part of my training with Coats), stationed in our office at the corner of Colon and Osmena right in the downtown area. From there I'd visit the various Japanese and local garment factories across the city and in Mactan. My favourite customer was Mrs Lulu Aboitiz, the matriarch of the family to whom we sold crochet threads so that her foundation for "lost ladies" could make the headrests for first class airline cabins. I say "sold" but we pretty much gave the stuff away - she was a hard bargaining lady with so much charm it was impossible to say "no"!



It should come as no surprise, given those happy memories, that I am personally very excited and much pleased that we are this week formalising a Brother Club arrangement with RC Cebu. As the second Rotary Club in the Philippines they have a hugely rich history, but more importantly they have a very vibrant and active present. In preparing our joint meeting this week, I have been impressed by the professionalism, the organizational focus and the cooperative spirit of the members that I have encountered, and their warmth of greeting has been most sincere.

This year we have been able to collaborate together in our Gift of Life projects, as we have done previously, and I very much hope that this week will be the catalyst for many other collaborations together. I also hope that very soon we will be able to bless this arrangement in person, with suitable liquid accompaniment to properly "seal the deal".

Briefly on other matters, can I please remind you 1) to bid on our auction for Likhang Sining and to participate in the contest when it is officially launched 2) to attend our Club Assembly next week on WEDNESDAY 12th May.

Wishing you a great week ahead,

Yours in Zest,
Alasdair Thomson

The word for this week is:

Scooby n.

I think I've only ever heard this in the negative, and it may be an especially Glaswegian term, but if you ask someone a question and the response is "Ah hauvnae a Scooby", they mean simply that they don't know or "haven't a clue".

The origins for this seem to lie with the cartoon show Scooby Doo, which involved some detective work and the finding of clues, but also there is some nicely abbreviated rhyming slang here: "Scooby Doo = clue".

From my hazy memory, I think a scooby was also a word used for a "joint" or "reefer" in the same city. I assume also based on the generally stoned demeanour of the eponymous hound.

I'd have gotten away with it too, if it weren't for those pesky kids....



Scottish Heritage

Chivas Regal

Chivas Regal traces its roots back to Aberdeen in the early 19th century, where two brothers first experimented with blending aged whiskies in the cellar of their grocery store. By the early 20th Century, a move to sell a 25 year old luxury whisky in the US established the brand among connoisseurs, and its reputation for quality carried across to the more commercially viable 12 year old following the end of Prohibition.

In 1950, Chivas bought the Strathisla distillery in Keith, Morayshire, the oldest continuously operating distillery in the Highlands, (established 1760). The Strathisla the core single malt in all Chivas Regal blends, buttressed by others including Longmorn, The Glenlivet, Allt-a-Bhainne, Miltonduff and Braes of Glenlivet (now Braeval), and grain from Strathclyde distilleries in the Lowlands.

Today, Chivas is particularly strong in the Asian market, and is the fourth most popular whisky in the world.

Tasting Note by The Chaps at Master of Malt (12y)

Nose: A creamy, aromatic melange of vanilla custard, hints of aniseed, lemon curd and butter toffee. Wood shavings and dried banana chips develop with just a hint of cassis.

Palate: More of those banana chips showing through on the palate, this time there's a creamy hit of barley malt too, pepped up with a little allspice. Notes of ground walnut and caramel.

Finish: Light spice and black pepper on the tail. Lingering notes of cereal sweetness.



MODESTY ASIDE



Full Name: Andresito Aguila

What we call you as: Andy

Relationship and family: On my third marriage with the same woman. Past and current wife: Stella Gemperle. One son, Santiago, 20 years old living and studying in Sydney.

Education and Training: Seesawing between the two great schools. Prep and Grade 1, Ateneo de Manila, Grade 2-5, La Salle Taft, Grade 6-7, La Salle Green Hills, 1st-2nd year HS, back to Ateneo, 2nd year to 4th year HS, back to La Salle Green Hills, College, back to La Salle Taft for BS Management. Thinking of getting my MBA in Ateneo....

Day Job: Splitting my time running my business and helping out in the family business.

Work Fulfillment: Being able to delegate, stay out of the way, and



having more time for myself. Still learning how to stay out of the way.

Work Challenges: WFM. Getting zoomed out

Special talents / interesting facts: Gear head. Self taught two stroke mechanic.

Poison: Red wine and brandy. Used to be G&T but brain would get loopy.

Weekend activities: Saturday long bike ride and post bike ride siesta. Sunday brunch with the wife,

G.O.A.T.: Ayrton Senna

Unforgettable Moments: Standing in front of a tank during the EDSA revolution.

Favorite Movie: Talladega Nights



MEETING REVIEW - APRIL 29, 2021



PP Phillip Hagedorn acts as Moderator



Rtn. Jon Rocha acts as Invocator



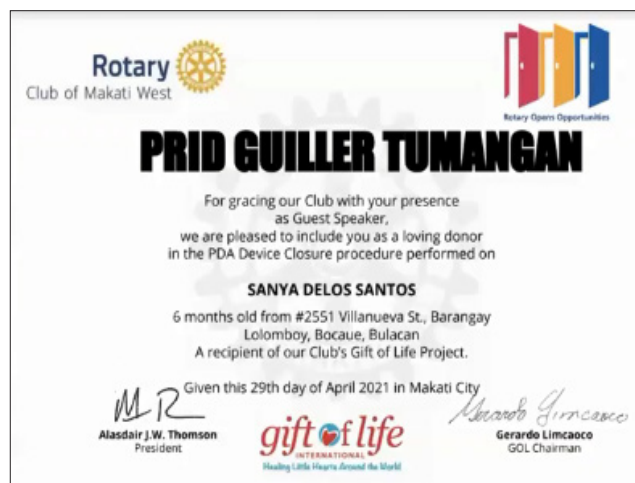
President Al Thomson during his president's time



PP Fern Peña introduces the guest speaker



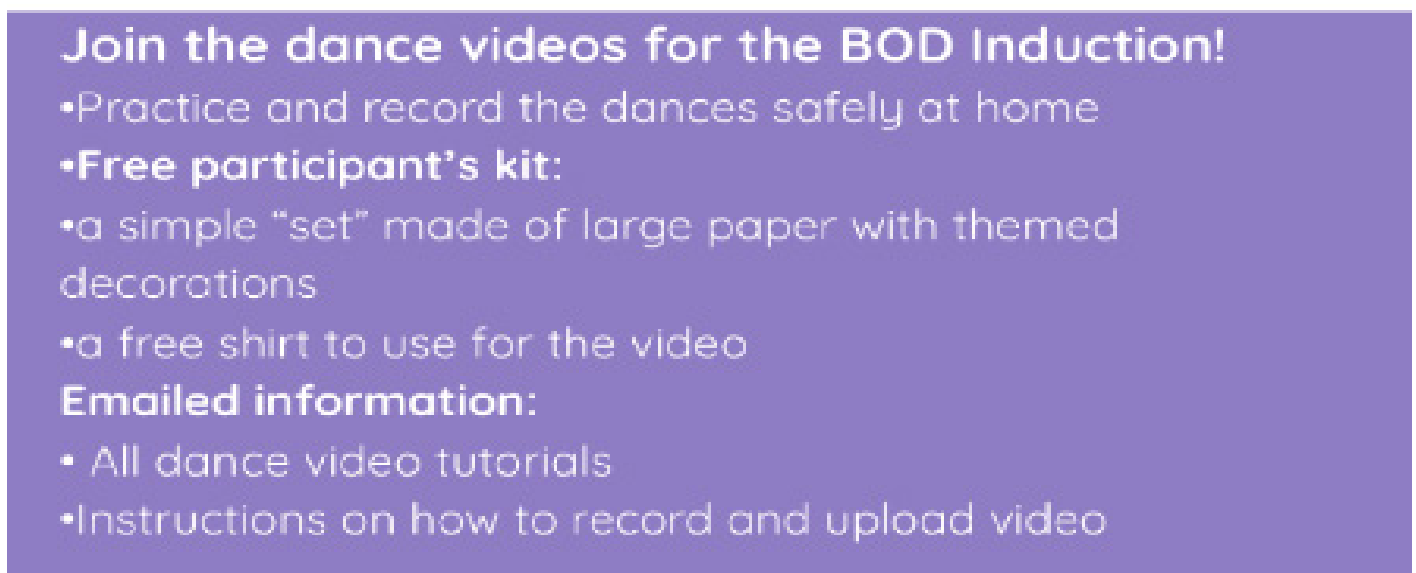
PRID Guiller Tumangan giving his talk



PRID Guiller Tumangan receives Gift of Life certificate from the club



WHAT: RY 21-22 BOD INDUCTION
WHEN: THURSDAY, JULY 1ST 2021



RCMW GIFT OF LIFE (GOL) BENEFICIARIES RY 2020-2021

De Los Santos Medical Center & National Children's Hospital, Quezon City



Damian Morris Villafranca, 4 yrs old,
Quezon City, Open Heart Surgery - NCH
May 3, 2021.



Chazzel Ruth Vispo, 4yrs. old, Nueva
Ecija, PDA Device Closure - DLSCM
May 6, 2021



Reychelle Sophia Casido, 7 month
old, Sarangani Province, PDA Device
Closure - DLSCM
May 5, 2021



ROTARY CLUB OF MAKATI WEST PROGRAMS



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RCMW Gift of Life Program

Project Objectives: A. To give medical treatment to indigent Filipino-children suffering from congenital heart disease.
 B. To further the training of resident pediatric cardiologists in GoL partner hospitals.

Project Members: Chair: Gerry Limcaoco
 Team: PP Lou del Rosario,
 Pres. Alasdair Thomson,
 PP Jay Tambunting,
 IPP Eric Tensuan,
 Rtn. Charles Rufino

Project Initiated 2004

Key Partners A. Delos Santos Medical Center
 B. National Children's Hospital
 C. Jaden and Friends

Total Beneficiaries since initiation 1594

Total Beneficiaries in Current RY 628 (including support from Cong. Paul Daza)

Funding Sources TRF Global Grants
 GOLI
 Alay Sining – Art Auction
 Member sponsorships

Contact number: Gerardo Limcaoco (0917-8996547)



RCMW Gift of Mobility Program

Project Objective: To bring hope, mobility, freedom, dignity, independence, in the lives of those that have suffered the loss of limbs. Key reasons for limb loss in the Philippines are: congenital issues, diabetes and increasingly vehicular accidents.

Project Members: Chair: Lauro S. Leviste III
 Team: Pres. Alasdair Thomson,
 PP Jay Tambunting, IPP Eric Tensuan, PP Lito Jimenez, PRID Guiller Tumangan, Rtn. Nori Reyes-Lao, Rtn. RJ Tabuena, Rtn. Rany Rono,
 Rtn. Tope Narciso

Project Initiated 2004

Total Beneficiaries since initiation 1,025

Total Beneficiaries in Current RY 124

Funding Sources TRF Global Grants
 Member sponsorships

Contact number: Robbie Leviste (0917-8318331)



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RCMW Gift of Sight Program

Project Objective: To cure surgically the blindness due to cataracts of indigent patients

Project Members: Chair: Timothy Elbert Tan
Team: Pres. Alasdair Thomson, PP Lito Jimenez, PP Mon Guerrero, Rtn. Robbie Leviste

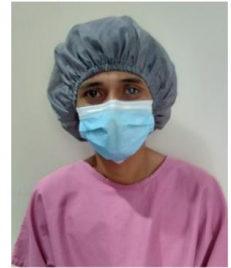
Project Initiated 2010

Total Beneficiaries since initiation 514

Total Beneficiaries in Current RY 128 (target 150 by year end)

Funding Sources TRF Global Grants

Contact number: Dr Timmy Tan (0917-8257660)



RCMW Gift of Health Project

Project Objective: To educate the danger and prevention of HIV and test the collegiate youth in the Philippines.

Project Members: Chair: Gerry Laperal
Team: PP Dave Caldwell,

Project Initiated 2017

Total Beneficiaries since initiation 4,473

Total Beneficiaries in Current RY On hold due to Pandemic

Funding Sources TRF Global Grants
Member sponsorships

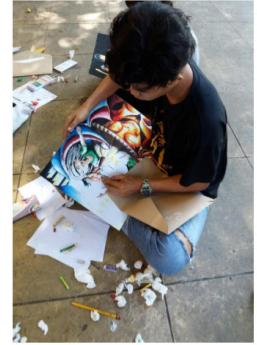
Contact number: Gerry Laperal (0918-8410203)



ROTARY CLUB OF MAKATI WEST PROGRAMS

RCMW Likhang Sining Project

Project Objective:	To encourage vaccination and voter registration through an open forum of art.
Project Members:	Chair: Scott Moore Team: PP Fern Pena, Dir. Dino Dumatol
Project Initiated	1995
Total Beneficiaries since initiation	3,205
Total Beneficiaries in Current RY	Expecting >300 (online)
Funding Sources	Member sponsorships
Contact Number	Scott Moore (+65 9879 4047)



RCMW Breast and Cervical Cancer Screening Project

Project Objective:	To promote cancer awareness and early detection of breast and cervical cancer among the underprivileged women in our surrounding communities (via free cancer screening sessions done inside a mobile clinic.)
Project Members:	Chair: Dir. Lito Mercado Team: IPP Eric Tensuan, PP Bobby Lim, Dir. Chito Santiago, Pres. Al Thomson, Rtn. Jimmy Bautista
Project Initiated	2019
Key Partner	Philippine Cancer Society Inc. (PCSI)
Total Beneficiaries since initiation	538
Total Beneficiaries in Current RY	On hold due to Pandemic
Funding Sources	Member sponsorships
Contact number	Lito Mercado (0917 880-7980)



ROTARY CLUB OF CEBU PROGRAMS

Gift of Life Program

Objective

Treat kids with congenital heart defects of indigent families

Key Partners

Gift of Life International
Rotary Club of Makati West

Program Funding

Global Grant
Gift of Life International
Fund Raising from Club Members

Beneficiaries

Fourteen (14) patients

Chairman

Dir. George Neil V. Paraoan
09177962312

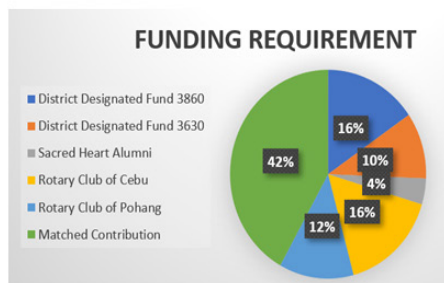


WASH 7

Water Sanitation and Hygiene
GG2095408 with Rotary Club of Pohang
Sacred Heart Alumni of 1969 and 1994



OBJECTIVE: Provide a water system to seven remotely located public schools – 2,500 students and teachers --- including a reliable water source, storage, piping, handwashing stations, toilets and septic system.



DJ Moises (Mobile No. 09176222256)

ROTARY CLUB OF CEBU PROGRAMS

PPE | March 2020

OBJECTIVE & Targeted Beneficiaries :

- to bridge the gap of HCW and government during the start of the pandemic
- to provide adequate Personal Protective Suits
- ensure a large quantity of buffer stock in the event of 2nd wave for medical health care workers and other related frontliners

KEY PARTNERS :

- Supplier of material
- Sunpride food
- Virginia food
- Garment factory

TYPICAL PROGRAM FUNDING REQUIREMENTS :

- 500 per ppe suit

OF BENEFICIARIES TO DATE : 6,000 pcs

- Hospitals, Barangay
- City Govt Isolation Centers
- Police

Source of Funding

RCC Members
& friends of Rotary Club of Cebu

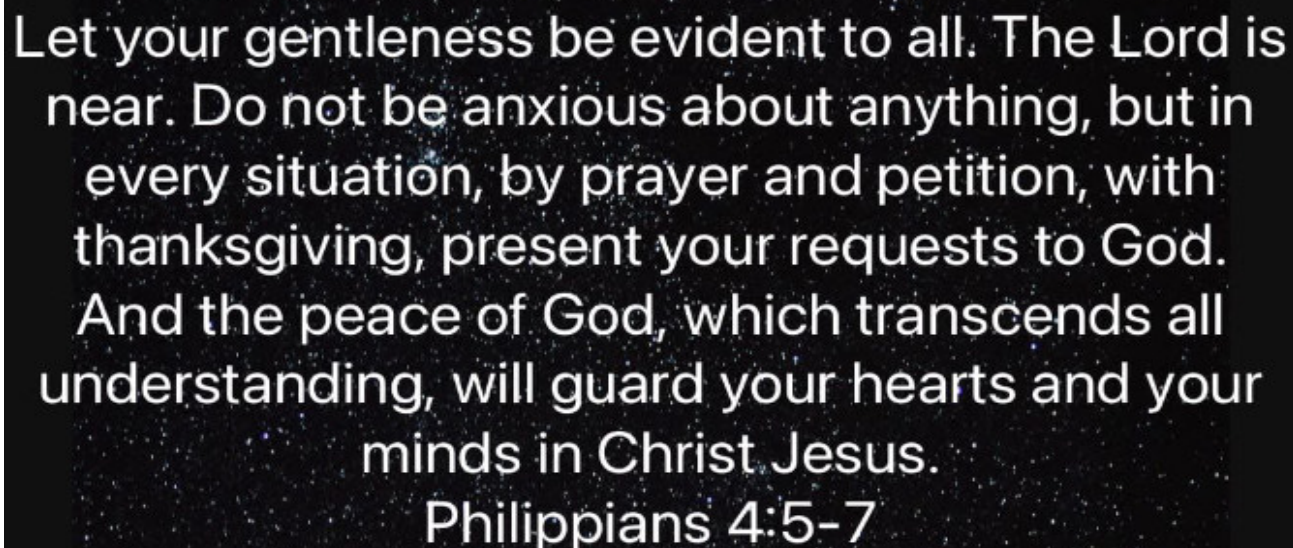
Bernard Vonn Sia
Past President | PPE Project Chair
0917-3233332



FELLOWSHIP

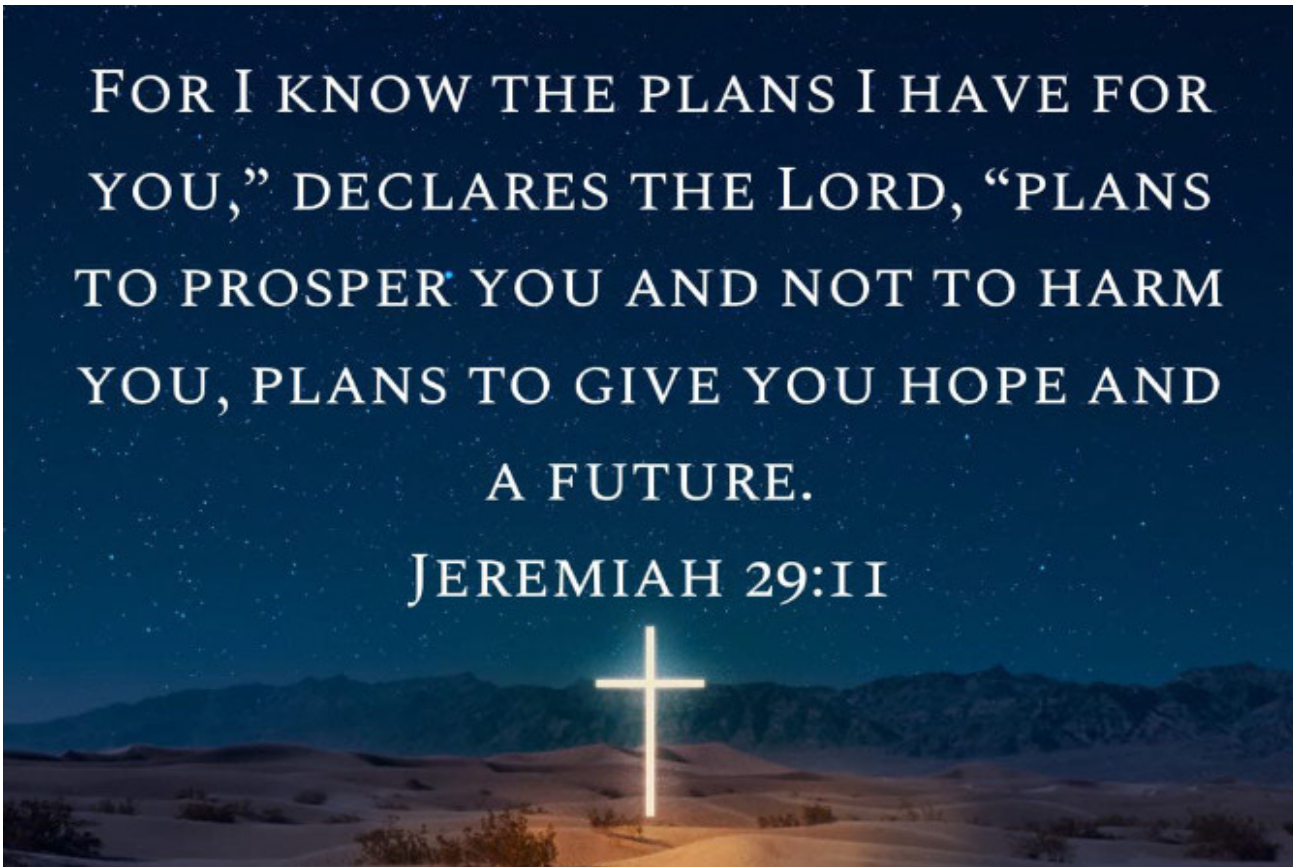


FAVORITE VERSES OF RTN. LOUIE ELIZAGA



Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 4:5-7



FOR I KNOW THE PLANS I HAVE FOR YOU," DECLARES THE LORD, "PLANS TO PROSPER YOU AND NOT TO HARM YOU, PLANS TO GIVE YOU HOPE AND A FUTURE.

JEREMIAH 29:11

YOUR CLUB IN THE CLOUD

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1nxigVxYpiCR5R09BePZH>

Weekly Meeting Videos

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Induction & Handover

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Fireside Chat Archive

West Side Story

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RY 2020-2021 Officers Directors & Club Advisers

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Director	Lauro Leviste
Director	Davy Lim
Director	Lito Mercado
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Royce Ann Ladan

***We kindly ask that the
following Rotarians settle their
membership account with the
Club***

*Alvarez, Sol
Cristobal, Paolo
De Ocampo, Jay Jay
Hodgens, Sedrick
Ledesma, Rj
Recto, Alex
Samson, Emmanuel*

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account, if you have already paid it is
important for us to receive your deposit
slip so we can account. Thank you”**

***Please be informed that checks
must be payable to:***

**ROTARY FOUNDATION
OF MAKATI WEST, INC.**

Bank Details:

ACCOUNT NO: 001680053572
BRANCH: PHILAM TOWER VALERO
BANK NAME: BANCO DE ORO

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deposit slip, your payment will
remain outstanding in our records.**