

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP



Headed by Bro. Jeff Castillo, the Men's ministry of ICS has always been at the forefront of fellowship and discovering more about God. The first quarter of 2007 saw them visiting three of their members in their homes:

Justine Clavecilla, Peping Vicencio, and Willy Lee. During their visits, they shared the Word of God and also prayed their members' respective households.

The Men's Ministry took an active part in the coordination and execution of the initial project of the Ministry Development Program, a one-day medical mission outreach held at the Nagpayong High School in Sitio Nagpayong, Pasig City last June 30, 2007. It was truly a God-glorifying success!

The Men's Ministry "D-Group" ("D" for "discussion") meets every Sunday afternoon to discover more truths in the Bible. They are already on Part II of their current study material, the Discovery Series. They are planning to start a monthly celebration fellowship. All the men of ICS are invited to join the ministry. Those interested to join may contact Bro. Jeff Castillo at 09178669825.

YOUNG ADULTS

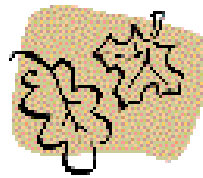
The Young Adults' Ministry is a group of spiritually passionate Christian individuals committed to reaching other young adults, discipling them for God, and sending them to fulfill Christ's Great Commission.

Last July 15, ICS YA hosted the YA Consultation. Discussed during the consultation was what YA ministry should be about; the age range, the best ways to reach out to the young adults, as well as the tools available. The YA meet with Ptr. Jerry Balbuena for discipleship weekly at the Café YA. Contact Jen at 0917 2523712.

Check out what's happening at ICS online at:

www.ics.org.ph

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP



The Women's Ministry has never failed to exude God's beauty as they minister His love with natural grace and flair to ICS' members and non-members alike. Last summer, they organized a church-wide outing at Pansol, Laguna. Many church members came to enjoy the hot sun, the crystal clear waters, and of course, the sumptuous feast prepared by the women's ministry!

Very recently, the women of ICS undertook the adornment of ICS' main sanctuary with beautiful, albeit synthetic, flowers and plants, making the stage more attractive Sunday after Sunday.

The Women's Ministry also does regular house visitations to make sure that other church members know just how much they are valued and missed. All the women of ICS are invited to join and experience the blessed sisterhood of God-driven women. They meet every week to study the Word and invite guest speakers quarterly.

To join the Women's Ministry, contact Sis. Nila Gomez through her husband Egay at egaygomez_07@yahoo.com or Sis. Choleen Lema at choleenlema@yahoo.com

ICS - 101 Yields 22
For the First Quarter of 2007 Ptr. Jerry Balbuena's Membership Class, ICS-101, yielded 22 new candidates for water baptism. They were all baptized in the church's baptistery last April 22, 2007.

Membership classes are held quarterly by Ptr. Jerry. For more information please contact Sis. Jess Cadimas at the ICS office.

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Jerry's Grill

ICS: WE DREAM...

Here at ICS, our passion for God and his purposes inspire us to believe in HIM for the impossible. Because there is no substitute for doing what God has called us to do.

- **We dream** of our church becoming a place where Christians learn to walk in daily intimacy with God
- **We dream** of our church becoming a place where prayer provides the foundation for every ministry.
- **We dream** of our church becoming a place of expanding care groups where both Christians and non-Christians grow.

Action Steps:

- Our vision for worship is renewed by actually worshipping;
- Our vision for prayer is renewed by actually praying;
- Our vision for service is renewed by actually using our gifts to serve;
- Our vision for outreach is renewed by actually testifying about Jesus; and
- Our vision for nurture is renewed by actually responding to God's call to a holy life.
- There is no substitute for action aimed at fulfilling God's call on our lives.

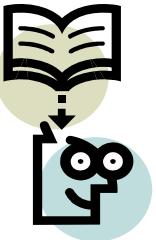
In Christ's Service,
Ptr. Jerry

ICS Scholarship Program

"Sharing and giving to the Lord's work should never be a burden. Christians should derive great satisfaction and fulfillment knowing they have been part of sharing God's love to others, especially our brothers and sisters who are in need. And the Lord is always faithful to reward those who share their blessings, their time and their lives."

With such a firm conviction, Bro. Ardie Balderama, an active church member of ICS, approached Ptr. Jerry Balbuena with an idea to start a church-based scholarship ministry for less fortunate brethren, a burden from God that was laid upon his heart way back in 2003.

Once fully activated, this new church program would make it possible for deserving but financially challenged young members of ICS, both past and present, as well as those from our satellite churches, to continue their studies by way of a scholarship grant. The funds will come from the designated giving of generous members and other partners who will buy into the vision-mission of this fledgling effort. Interested parties may log on to the ICS Website, www.ics.org.ph for further details.



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Medical Missions Outreach Nagpayong, Pasig City



One day, 16 volunteer doctors, 24 volunteer student nurses, 115 ministry personnel, 583 souls ministered to in Jesus' Name. The one-day Medical Outreach in Nagpayong, Pasig City was a huge success! It was a day well spent serving a community in the Lord's Name. **We give God all the Glory!** For the full story, log on to www.ics.org.ph

- Photo tags:**
1. Bro. Boy loading supplies.
 2. Ptr. Jerry leading in prayer before ministering.
 3. Nagpayuon residents and patients.
 4. Patiently waiting for their turn.
 5. Master's Commission presenting a human video.
 6. Bro. Dave counseling patients.
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TODDLER'S TOY ROOM DRIVE



Sis. Anne Grey, grandmother of Toddlers Room regular visitor Chesca, initiated the Give-a-Toy Drive last July and called upon the church members to donate new or fairly usable toys to replenish and replace the old ones then in use. Thanks to a number of kid-loving people, the children in the Toddlers Room are already enjoying their time there with new toys and games to play with.

Generous souls with a soft spot for smiling kids may give their toy donations to Sis. Jessie Cadimas at the ICS office. After all, kids can never have too many toys, right?

Children's Church

The song "Jesus loves the Little Children" is certainly true to ICS' Children's Church. Every Sunday, kids from 3 to 11 years old are gathered to learn stories from the Bible, play fun games, and sing songs in Sunday School while their parents attend the service in the main sanctuary.

Last May, the Children's Church held its "Promotion Sunday"; some members of the Juniors class graduated and were endorsed to the Hi-Teeners, the church's study group for High School students. For more information on the Children's Church please contact Sis. Joy Salazar at 09215687427.

ICS@31

ICS passed the three-decade mile-marker and celebrated its 31st year of existence by way of holding joint Sunday morning services for the whole month of January 2007. ICS Senior Pastor Jerry Balbuena and our very own Dr. Alex Fuentes took turns speaking forth God's Word from the pulpit during the first three Sundays. AoG's venerable Dr. Eli Javier was the featured speaker during the last Sunday of the anniversary month.

The leaders and members of ICS give God all the thanksgiving and glory due to His Name for 31 years of Holy Spirit-sustained life and ministry.

Area 3 Youths Unit

July 22 saw a capacity crowd of 70 young people and leaders converge at Gardenway Assembly of God, Pasig from 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm for a joint ministry.

Rev. Alvin Tud, Sr. Pastor of Bethel Christian Assembly in Montalban, Rizal and STDC District Youth Director was the featured speaker. Rev. Tud powerfully challenged the youth be a witness on campus and wherever else God has placed them.



Initiated by the Pasig 1st AoG Youth, the event was held to strengthen the working relationships between the youths of area 3 and to encourage future joint endeavors. The other Area 3 churches are Gardenway AoG, Ugong 1st AoG and ICS. Future joint events are slated for September and a Section 3 youth camp in December is in the works as well.

CROSSLinC is ICS Youth, comprised of high school and college aged youths. They meet every Sunday at ICS at 2:30pm. Contact Pastor Chad Visca at 0919 3999113 for more information.

ICS Welcomes New Associate Pastor

ICS welcomed its new associate pastor in the person of Ptr. Jesse Dedel. Ptr. Dedel, together with his family, was formally introduced and installed by Rev. Jerry Balbuena during the 10 a.m. English Service last July 8, 2007.

Ptr. Jerry called upon the entire Board of Elders to stand with Ptr. Dedel and his family as he solemnly read words of Scripture delineating the duties, responsibilities and high moral standards of an "elder" of the church, the biblical predecessor of today's pastors and associate pastors. Then he led the entire assembly in prayer over the Dedel family.

The English service crowd joined Ptr. Jerry as he welcomed the newest addition to the ICS' ministry fold.