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*We Pray for the Peace of Jerusalem! Psalm 122:6*

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SHALOM from Baguio City, Philippines,

God is so good, all the time! We have been here 6 weeks already and our health and energy levels are still ok. The LORD has provided a great many choice Servants of His to work with! I still do a lot of teaching, but they do the organizing...and also a lot of teaching.

**Engr Dave Angiwan** is taking more responsibilities for APMF as I “work myself out of a job,” which has always been my method since our beginning here in 1958. He did a great job organizing the 9 days of our 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Bible Conference and our 1<sup>st</sup> Yeshiva program, the term we use for our upgraded Bible training comparable to grad school, for which a Certificate or Diploma will be given when a certain number of modules are completed. Dave is a senior faculty member in the College of Engineering of the Univ of the Cordilleras here in Baguio, does construction business, and is an Elder of the Baguio City Messianic Congregation, a very busy man. We have worked together for 30+ years.

**Rabbi Dr. John Fischer** came from Florida to be the main Bible teacher for the above, teaching modules on *The Gospels Against Their Jewish Backgrounds* and *From Messiah to Mohammed: The Foundation and History of Early Messianic Judaism*. John is the VP of the St. Petersburg Theological Seminary and Director of its Netzer David Yeshiva. He is also the director of Menorah Ministries, of which we have been members for the last 15 years. John’s wife, Patrice, was supposed to come also, to teach two significant courses, but had to cancel about 6 weeks ahead of the Conference. Dave pitched in to teach one module, *Introduction to Interpreting the Bible*, using a course designed by **Tim Hegg**, who has come to teach here before, and I did the other one, *Bible Principles of Leadership, in the Family and in the Congregation*.

Congregations are multiplying and growing! Maturing leadership is essential! Therefore, we will be doing more traveling to teach in Mini-Conferences for Metro Manila, Cebu City, an hour’s flight south of Manila, and other places. Several Indonesians come each year to our Annual Conferences and have repeatedly asked us to come there to help teach their congregations. Therefore, being assured that we will be going to safe areas, we have agreed to go there in October.

Last year, **Dr Gladys Tamania**, who we have known since she was a kid in Banaue, earned her PhD with a dissertation on the influence of Muslim migration from south Philippines to Baguio City here in the north, to make Baguio the center of Islamic influence in the Philippines. She is a faculty member at the Philippine Military Academy, also in Baguio. The government has taken notice of her dissertation so that it is being published and utilized, as there is a lot of Islamic insurgency around the country. PMA has authorized her to teach a crash course for the cadets on the Arab-Israel Conflict for background on Islam. She wants me to come to teach this course. Hopefully, it will be scheduled in September, so that we can stop by here on our way to Indonesia.

May 3-16, we will be hosting an APMF Tour of Israel from here. Naomi returns home to Florida June 4 while I fly back to Israel the same day to host another Tour of Israel for our Singapore congregations. On the return, I will be teaching an emerging Congregation in Bangkok, Thailand June 23-24. Then back to the Philippines for some more Seminars, and to pack up and return home on July 2.

With love and prayers for you all, (This goes email to those who have, and postal mail to the rest.)  
Roger & Naomi