

Bob Tebow Evangelistic Association



During the **2011 July Project** in the Philippines, our team of 93 Americans and over 50 Filipino BTEA evangelists shared the gospel in **2,996** schools and in many villages, hospitals, markets, and malls. They shared with **1,223,913** people and saw **1,113,848** of these people publicly profess faith in Christ alone for salvation! The team was also able to share the gospel through the distribution of over half a million gospel tracts, written in the *Tagalog* language. Throughout the five weeks of ministry, we worked in Metro Manila, Benguet, Mountain Province, Camarines Norte, Quezon, Surigao del Norte, Surigao del Sur, Southern Leyte, South Cotabato, and Sarangani. The harvest truly is plentiful in the Philippines, and we give God all the glory for what He accomplished through our team!



Southern Leyte Team

Farrah Tidwell: One day, we were able to preach at a college. I was almost finished sharing in a class when we were told we had to stop. We were still able to hand out tracts on campus. I had a Bible that I wanted to give away. I saw a cleaning lady and felt a tug on my heart to give it to her. I asked if she was a born again Christian, and she told me she was. I then asked if she owned a Bible. She said “no” because she had never been able to afford one. I gave her the Bible, and she started crying because she finally owned a copy of God’s Word!

Suzanne Ford: I entered a hospital and went straight to the maternity ward. My heart sank as I saw all the teenage moms with their precious babies. I shared the gospel with them, and all the women and a few men professed Christ as their Savior! Afterward, I had the privilege of naming a baby girl *Hadassah* from the book of Esther.

Emily White: We traveled up a steep mountain in order to reach a remote school. Because our motorcycle was having difficulty climbing the mountain, I hiked much of the way. Finally, we arrived at a very small village. The people were excited to see me! No one had ever heard about Jesus before because there was no church on the mountain. It was wonderful to be able to share Jesus’ love with them. After I shared at the school, I was invited to share with the entire village! I was able lead them all to Christ!

Tricia Laguna: My team hired two brothers to take us to several islands in their boat so that we could share the gospel at schools on the islands. We were fortunate to have these brothers as guides because they knew how to get to the schools once we arrived at each island. As we took the long boat ride back to the port, the older brother told us that they had heard us sharing the gospel at the schools and wanted to trust Jesus as well. When we reached the port at the public market, all of us held hands and prayed right there!

Ray Hall: As we traveled to our schools for the day, my heart was drawn to four rice farmers working in the fields alongside the road. After we finished sharing the gospel at the schools, I asked our driver if we could preach to the farmers. We had to wade through knee-deep mud to get to them. I shared the gospel, and they were overcome with joy! They said that we were the first missionaries to come to the poor rice farmers! We gave them tracts, and they immediately went to share with their families!



Ray Hall, Emily White, and rice farmers



Josh Wood with students

the school. We took the trail and arrived just as a teacher came running out with an unconscious child. He was choking and having a seizure. God allowed me to revive him; then, I was able to preach and lead the entire school to Christ!

Kevin Nichols: We stopped to ask the location of a school in the area and were told we could park there and take a trail down to the school or go to the bottom of the hill and park in front of

Kelsey Migliore: We asked for directions from a guard at a private school where students were taught that their works could save them. The guard asked if we wanted to share there before leaving. We shared in two rooms, and almost all of the students indicated that they put their trust in Jesus! Even a janitor stopped working to listen to the message and chose to put his trust in Jesus! I felt humbled to be able to deliver freedom to these people who were formerly bound by religion.



Bobby Pharr giving a “free gift” to illustrate that salvation is a free gift to us from God



Suzanne Ford with baby Hadassah



Darrah Pharr with street children

Betsy Arnold: I shared the gospel at a high school, and most everyone responded to the message. Afterward, the principal shared her testimony with the students. When she finished, each teacher shared a testimony. Even two students got up and shared a testimony. One boy told the school that he became a Christian one month before. He used to stab and beat others, but when Jesus came into his life, he gave him a purpose. Now, he is going to be a pastor. Following the testimonies, I went to the principal's office and spoke with the teachers. They were deeply moved when they heard I came to the Philippines as a volunteer on my own initiative to share God's love. They were so thankful for the message I brought!



Surigao Team

Clayton Rowan: As I was preaching to a room of elementary students, I noticed a girl with a cleft lip. I smiled at her, and she quickly returned my smile with a grin. After I finished sharing, I went up to her and told her how beautiful she was. In broken English, she said, "Jesus in heart!"

Kristen Napier: After preaching at a school, we got in the jeep to go to our next school. A little hand reached in and handed me what I thought was a silver cross necklace. I told her to keep it, but she said, "No, I don't need it anymore." I untangled it and realized it was a bracelet used in religious rituals. She had given it to me because she realized she no longer needed it now that she had Jesus!



Jeanny Alexandre, Shirah Brantner, Julia Paigo, Sierra Minott, Ashley James, and Katie Gentry with school administrator

Christine Harrigan: After preaching at a high school where many students trusted Christ, I was able to speak one-on-one with a woman who was standing outside the school but had heard the message. I gave her an extra Bible in my bag and she was able to walk her through Isaiah 53 and share the gospel again. She openly received the Bible, which was my free gift to her, and she received God's free gift of eternal life by placing her faith in Jesus.



Julie Payne and Christine Harrigan

Chloe Bennett: After sharing the gospel at a small elementary school, we walked to the road to wait for our ride. A small group of women came out of a nearby building and asked my pastor questions about my purpose there. He told them I came to share the good news of God's love. They asked if I would share with them, and, of course, I agreed. As I began sharing, they stopped me and invited me into the building. Inside were 25 more women of all ages, and they asked me to share with all of them! They were so focused on what I said, and they all chose to put their trust in Jesus!



Rachel Kicinski and Abby Congdon

Sasha Arms: My pastor and I were waiting at a bus stop for our ride to return. He began to talk to the men sitting there with us. I used the time to rest because three weeks of intense ministry had begun to wear on me. My pastor turned to me and said, "You talk to them!" I was not prepared and was a little hesitant about speaking with a group of men of all ages. I prayed that the Lord would give me the words to say. When I got to the sinner's prayer, I heard them repeating after me! They heard and had accepted the message. By the time my teammates arrived, we had seven new brothers in Christ!



Katrina Pendergast and Katy Pflaum

Katrina Pendergast: While our flat tire was being changed, we looked for some kids to play basketball with. As we walked down the street, we noticed several members of a family sitting outside their tiny home. We asked the grandmother if we could share some good news with them. She allowed us to share, but after hearing part of our message, she went inside to get the rest of her family so that they could also hear. They all prayed with us to receive Christ!



Brittany Truitt

Kera Cosper: I spoke at a large elementary school, and nearly everyone placed their trust in Jesus. Later on, we stopped for lunch at Jollibee's. There were many students there, including a young boy who stood near our table. I introduced myself, but he was very hesitant to speak English. Our pastor spoke with him in Tagalog. He learned that Baniel was in sixth grade and had recognized me from his school that morning. We spent the rest of our lunch together, talking, drawing, and playing games. He kept thanking me for sharing the good news!



Kera Cosper and Baniel

Joseph Congdon: I had the opportunity to speak at a science high school. I was expecting really non-responsive kids, thinking they would be like some of the smart kids at my high school. To my surprise, these kids were the most responsive kids I had ever seen. The students and teachers looked so happy! Every one of the kids raised their hands to indicate that they put their trust in Jesus!



Two-week Metro Manila team

Adi Coe: Sydney and Travis Spaulding and I met a Muslim couple in the mall. We talked to them for a while, and everything they said made me sad. They were convinced that everything they believed was true. They had heard it for so long that anything else sounded outrageous to them. Nothing we said could convince them otherwise. We bought them a Bible and prayed for God to do the talking. They promised to read it if we would read the Koran. Although they did not put their trust in Christ, a seed was planted!



Randy Drury

Randy Drury: After I shared the gospel in four consecutive classes filled with students, I approached the final classroom. It was empty except for two boys sweeping the floor. I started to hand them tracts and leave but decided to stay and

share the gospel with them. I got a pastor to translate for me because they could not understand English. After both boys prayed to accept Christ, I was reminded that Jesus' message extends to the crowds but also to individuals.



Lisa Hough and Ashley Warrington

After I shared the gospel with a class of kindergartners, my translator drew on the chalkboard to illustrate the main points. I told the students that all they needed to do to accept the free gift of eternal life is to invite Jesus into their hearts and lives. Before the translator finished translating, a little boy named Carl Paul asked, "How do I ask Jesus into my heart? I want Jesus in my heart." Stunned, my translator turned to me and told me what Carl said. After I explained how to ask Jesus into your heart, Carl was so excited to pray. After we prayed, he was beaming with a smile.

Peter Tebow: I had the opportunity to preach to 200 4th - 6th graders at a gifted school. I did not use a translator because they spoke better English than the pastor with me! I was able to share a detailed and animated gospel presentation, which yielded an amazing response with all of them indicating that they had put their trust in Christ. After the follow-up message, I answered questions for 45 minutes. They asked many questions, including questions about the assurance of salvation to questions about the origin of sin. I spent a lot of time with them and even signed autographs; then, one boy looked up at me and said, "Well, I want a hug, then!" I picked him up and swung him around and then proceeded to hug the rest of the kids. When I arrived at the hotel that night many of the kids had "friended" me on Facebook, and one of them made a fan page dedicated to me! I have been able to keep in contact with them, and they continually thank me for sharing the gospel with them.

Grace Ropp: On my last day in the schools, I shared the gospel with a sixth grade class. I was surprised when they answered my questions before they were translated into their native language. As I watched their faces, I could tell they understood. They all responded to the message and put their trust in Jesus!

Rachel Redding: After buying some jewelry at a local vendor, Pastor Stone and I were privileged to share the gospel with the young lady working there. Pastor Stone used the salvation bracelet I was wearing to present the gospel to her. When he asked if she wanted to accept Jesus as her Savior, she said, "Yes!" I was honored to lead her in prayer. After praying, she looked up at me and said, "I'm so happy!"



Chloe Bennett and Hannah Bower

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The Ropp family with BTEA Filipino Evangelist Cesar Gape's family

Jeff Ropp: I was able to share the gospel with a high school cheer squad during their practice. As I shared how God used my disappointments in athletics to show me my need to trust in Jesus, each member listened intently and responded to the gospel message in faith. God never wastes our experiences. He uses the pain of the past to bring peace to people in the present.

Hope Ropp: After finishing up at a high school, a group of students approached me. Somehow, they had missed hearing us share the gospel, so I shared with them then. One of the girls asked if I knew John 3:16. We then recited it together. I happened to have copies of the entire book of John and was able to give each student their own copy. I was amazed that of all the books of the Bible, she asked about the one I had copies of!

Brandon Coon: After I finished preaching in a classroom, the teacher approached me and told me she had been praying for someone to share the gospel with her class. She asked me how many of her students accepted Jesus. When I told her that all of them indicated they had put their trust in Jesus, she became very excited and cried tears of joy!



Peter Tebow, Aaron Filippone, James Scroggins, Jacob Percy, and Judd Alsop



Danielle Brickhouse and Molly McAmis

Hannah McNally: I met a hesitant principal at one of the schools I visited. Although he agreed to let me speak, he still seemed reluctant. Right before I spoke, he asked why I was really there. I explained that I came to share the gospel, but he could not understand why I would travel so far to share a few words. I told him that they were very important words, and he promised to listen. After I finished, he came up to me. With tears in his eyes, he told me that he believed what I said about Jesus dying on the cross for him. As I was leaving, he said "I will see you in heaven!"

Molly McAmis: I had the opportunity to speak to 500 third and fourth year high school students. Most every student acknowledged that they trusted Jesus as Savior! As we were leaving, I was told that I would speak to the 500 parents gathered nearby. I wasn't sure how to deliver the message to adults. I just prayed and opened my mouth. My eyes were on the only Muslim sitting on the back row. When the translator led the parents in prayer, I noticed the Muslim man bowing his head. When I saw him raise his hand to admit he accepted Jesus as Savior, tears of joy filled my eyes!

Claudia Cornelison: As I was going up the escalator at the mall, I heard a girl call out, "Claudia!" Confused, I waved to her and continued on. She caught up with me and told me that she was in one of the classes I had shared the gospel in earlier that week. With a smile on her face, she told me that she accepted Christ that day. She also informed me that she was on her way to church and proudly displayed her Bible to me!

Sunny Carey: We spoke at a high school where the students did not care to hear the gospel and the teachers did not think it necessary to require the students' attention. As I walked away feeling defeated, I felt someone tug on my arm. I turned around and saw a girl in a headress. With a huge smile, she said, "Sister, thank you so much for sharing the good news!"



Diane Malemezian and JP

Sarah Davis: The principal called us back to his office after we preached at his school and told us that his faith was wavering because of a recent stroke. We encouraged him with God's promise that He would never leave him, and then we prayed with him. He told the pastor with us that he wanted to get involved in a church. The pastor told him he would "bring the church" to him. They are now planning a Bible study in the principal's home!



Sunny Carey, Camille Jacobs, and Sarah Davis

students began to cry. When I challenged them to believe the gospel and accept Jesus as their personal Savior, all of them responded! When I finished leading them in prayer, they clapped their hands with joy!

Jenny Alexandre: I got the opportunity to share the gospel in a classroom with 65 students, which included several Muslim students. As the Lord spoke through me, I noticed a change in the room. The students were so quiet. When I spoke of God sacrificing His Son,



Pastor Phil Congdon

Camille Jacobs: Our team ate breakfast each morning at a nearby McDonald's. Everyday, May May took my order, and I realized very quickly that there was something different about her. Her smile was contagious and she had a very sweet spirit. I prayed daily that the Lord would give me the opportunity to share the good news with her. I spoke with one of the pastors about going to McDonald's specifically to share with her. We decided on a time, but he told me there was no guarantee that May May would be able to take a break to listen. As we arrived, May May passed by with a bunch of birthday decorations. I asked if I could help her decorate, and she gladly agreed. While we decorated the back room, I used the time to share the gospel with her; then, May May prayed to receive Christ! She told me that one of her coworkers was a born again Christian and that she could not wait to share that they are now sisters in Christ!

Joni Webster: I was able to present the gospel to a special needs class using American Sign Language! The whole class knew sign language - even the students who were not deaf. As I shared the gospel, the Holy Spirit reminded me of the different signs. It is so important to talk about the love of God, especially when sharing with people who are ignored for various reasons. Their hurt was so evident. After we prayed, you could see the change in their eyes. They really understood the gospel.



Debra Thomason and Joni Webster

Debra Thomason: We were driving up a mountain to get to a school when we saw all the kids coming down the road. They had already been released, so our pastor gathered them and told them to listen to his American friend speak. I preached to about 80 students and parents and saw almost all of them put their trust in Christ!



Hillary Spaulding with orphan Janet



Dana Kurtz, Whitney Laney, John Ginn, and Lindsay Bennett with orphans

Whitney Laney: One day, I shared the gospel at an elementary school. Later on, I ran into some girls from that school. I talked to them some more about Jesus' love and told them my favorite Proverbs. We got in a circle, held hands, and prayed. I asked the Lord to give them growth in their relationship with Him and that their faith would be strengthened. When I finished praying, all the girls were crying, but they explained they were tears of joy! They told me they wanted to be missionaries like me!

Lindsay Bennett: As I preached at an elementary school, I was drawn to a boy in the back of the crowd. At first, he was making disruptions with his friend, but I could tell he was listening. After my pastor led the students in prayer, I began to cry and felt the Lord telling me to say, "The same God that created the universe created you for a purpose. He wants to use you to do incredible things. Allow Him to work in you and give you the power to say 'no' to sin." When we finished, my pastor told me I have now experienced a true missionary's heart. He asked if I saw the boy in the back. He had prayed with us and was brought to tears by the message.



Denae Gold with students

Denae Gold: I had the opportunity to share the gospel at a largely Muslim school. While I spoke, several Muslim women were there preparing lunch for the students. The smoke from the food cooking nearby blew into our eyes. As I struggled to keep eye contact, I noticed two Muslim girls outside the crowd, trying to hear the gospel. I also noticed some of the Muslim women had stopped to listen to the message. As the translator led the group in prayer, I saw the Muslim girls and one of the women praying to receive Christ! When I asked who made the decision to put their trust in Jesus, their hands slowly raised!

Julia Spence: I spoke to a group of about 30 fourth year high school students. As I made eye contact with each student, a young man caught my attention. He looked so sad and had a darkness in his eyes. Each time I looked at him, he was totally engrossed with what I shared. I could tell by his expression and the tears in his eyes that he understood and that God was working in his heart! The pastor invited the students who wanted to place their trust in Jesus to pray with him. I looked and saw him praying very intently! He was the first student to raise his hand to show he had surrendered his life to Christ! I literally saw him turn from darkness to light!



Julia Spence and Courtney Strickland

Courtney Strickland: I saw several mothers sitting outside a school, waiting on their children. I handed each of them a tract and noticed that one of them immediately began to read the tract very intently. I asked her if she had any questions about what she read. She asked why someone else would die for someone like her. I walked her through the gospel, but she could not get over someone dying for her, nor the fact that eternal life was a free gift from God. I asked if she would like to put her trust in Jesus. She told me she wanted to listen to me pray first. I explained that it is a personal decision that must be made from her heart to God. I also shared my testimony, and then she decided to put her trust in Jesus. She prayed a very emotional prayer, full of joy. When we finished, she said, "My life will never be the same now." She then asked the pastor with me some questions about churches. I gave her a Bible, and she was so excited to take the Bible and gospel tract home to share with her husband and children.

Dana Kurtz: One day, we drove through rugged terrain for three hours before reaching the end of the road. Then, we hiked through the jungle. We finally arrived at a little school nestled in the mountains. While I shared the gospel, I noticed a boy who seemed disconnected and was making jokes. As I continued to share, his countenance completely changed and tears started streaming down his face. God used the power of the gospel to change this boy's heart!



Derek Walton

Derek Walton: After speaking at a school, my pastor asked for directions to our next school. The teachers gave us directions but warned us that it was a dangerous area,

heavily populated by Muslims. We went anyway because we knew they needed to hear the gospel. After driving through the mountains, we arrived at the school to find 280 students and adults. They had never seen an American before, nor heard the gospel of Jesus. I shared with them and almost all 280 trusted Christ! I am so thankful we did not allow the fear of other people to keep us from going.



Travis Spaulding with students

Travis Spaulding: As I shared the gospel in a classroom, the teacher leaned against the wall with her arms crossed. I emphasized that trusting in Jesus is a personal decision that anyone can make. The teacher sat down and appeared very interested. I explained that Jesus died out of His great love for us to pay the penalty for our sins with His own life. The teacher began to weep. At the end of my presentation, the teacher stood and said that she put her trust in Jesus for eternal life.



Charles Pittman with students



Chloé Lemoine with orphan Janet

Chloé Lemoine: We were driving to our next school when, suddenly, the vehicle jerked to a stop, and I was dropped off with one of the pastors. They had seen some kids playing and thought there might be a school or daycare nearby. We found a daycare, and they allowed me to share the gospel. As I was preaching, many parents in the community gathered inside the building. I asked who chose to trust in Jesus, and most of the hands went up. Afterward as we waited by the street for our ride, the pastor told me that I had just preached the Word of God in a Muslim mosque! That day 18 children and 10 adults put their trust in Jesus right there in the mosque!



Carolina Carucci with special needs students

Carolina Carucci: As a child, I struggled with accepting the fact that my older sister Maria was born with Down syndrome. It wasn't until I accepted Christ that I understood God's unconditional love for all of His special children. I was given the unique honor of preaching the gospel to a small group of mentally handicapped children. In the past, God had taught me about loving them, and now I got to teach them about God's love! Despite their handicap, the Holy Spirit was at work. As I heard them pray, it was evident that, although many of them would never grow up to know all we know, they knew about the most important thing - God's love!



Martha Yates with orphan Alvin

Martha Yates: As we traveled back to our hotel, we suddenly hit the brakes and pulled to the side of the road. Six high school students piled into our jeepney, and we began a conversation with them. We asked if any Americans had visited their school yet. When we found out that no one had, we shared the gospel with them. All six chose to put their trust in Christ! I told the girl sitting next to me that Jesus would never leave her. When I mentioned that you only have to ask Him into your heart one time, she said with a surprised look on her face, "Really?" We gave each of them a tract and told them to share with their friends. Later, we learned that another team tried to visit their private school the day before but were not given permission to speak there. In the end, God opened a window of opportunity for them to hear the gospel anyway!



Rebecca Bronzini with orphans

Ronnie Owens: We arrived at a daycare and found one teacher and three children. My pastor told me to share with the teacher. She made the decision to trust Jesus, but asked us to wait there. She returned with 10 other ladies - half of which were Muslim! I shared the gospel with them, and all of them professed Christ as Savior!



Shirah Brantner with orphans

Sierra Minott: We spent some time sharing the gospel at a mall during one of our lunch breaks. When I spotted a table full of high school girls, I introduced myself, and we immediately connected. Amidst the laughter and smiles, I assured them of their value as God's precious creation, and I could see the truth penetrating their hearts. By the end of our conversation, all five of them prayed to receive Christ right there in the food court! Later that day, we went to their school to preach. When they saw me, they shouted, "Hi, sister!" My heart was filled with joy, knowing that I would see my new sisters in heaven someday.



Ben Pickett preaching to students