

**Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship of the Philippines, Inc.**  
**Annual Ministry Report**  
**School Year 2009 - 2010**

**I. Highlights of IVCF Philippines for School Year 2009-2010**

**1. National Conference 2009**

This was a wonderful time for IVCF Philippines. Indeed, God was with us in this national gathering of IVCF people, where we had times of worship, fellowship, interaction with God's Word, and engaging in important ministries, as well as national and global issues. Indeed, through this event, God made clear to us that our calling is to establish communities of Christian students and graduates to nurture personal and corporate faith in, love for and obedience to the Lord Jesus Christ, and to participate in the building of God's Kingdom in the world. God abundantly provided for this conference. More than 250 delegates from all our regional units, plus brethren from abroad, joined NC. Many significant results were achieved during this time. And a lot of commitments were made for the glory of God and for support to our movement. Praise God for NC 2009.

**2. Abundant Provisions from God**

We rejoice in the grace that was poured out to IVCF Philippines. The staff's salaries were regularly given on time and in full. We received funds for our ministries and programs. People gave to IVCF so IVCF could respond to victims of calamities. Our donors and supporters gave, not only for the National Conference, but also for our summer training camps. Because of this, the staff received their June 15, 2010 salaries in advance and in full (salaries were deposited June 11, four days in ahead of schedule). It may be a first or had not been done for a long time. Glory to God who is very generous to IVCF. Thank you for brothers and sisters for supporting IVCF.

**3. Southern Luzon became IVCF's 9<sup>th</sup> Regional Unit**

This school year God guided us to officially form the Southern Luzon Regional Unit. Student ministry had been going on in Laguna, Cavite, Mindoro and Bangatas for many years. And because our ministries in these areas had been growing, God has guided the IVCF leadership to organize the work into a regional unit. On February 20, 2010 the newly formed Southern Luzon Regional Unit had its first Regional Fellowship and Day of Prayer at UP Los Banos campus. IVCFers from Laguna, Cavite, Batangas, Mindoro, and from Metro Manila gathered for worship, teambuilding activities, ministry presentations, fellowship, prayer, and organizational planning. A Regional Advisory Council (RAC) was already formed, composed of leaders from the 4 provinces. A Regional Coordinator was appointed to oversee the ministry.

**4. IVCF Engaged in Other Ministries**

IVCF Philippines was involved not only in student and graduates ministries, but also with relief work and national building. In October 2009, we were active in helping Ondoy victims, by giving relief goods, medical services, and even cleaning flooded houses. We helped a few communities, and also some IVCF people. Then there was a student-led university-wide event, called alternation, held last March 3, 2010 in UP Diliman. It was not only evangelistic in nature, but also a challenge to students to be involved in election and nation building. IVCF partnered with many Christian organizations and business corporations for the success of this significant big event.

## **5. Summer Camps 2010**

The school year culminated with many summer national and regional training camps. Many students and graduates were transformed by God through these life-transforming events. We had evangelistic, discipleship, missions, and leadership camps in April and May. What great joy and encouragement to hear testimonies of young students on how God moved in their lives and how they became passionate in knowing and serving the Lord Jesus Christ.

## **6. New Staffworkers Recruited**

Praise God for the young IVCF people who responded to be God's servant-leaders and IVCF staffworkers. Staff recruitment has been a big challenge recently. And so we rejoice for the 6 new staffworkers, who we started to recruit last school year, and who are now working with IVCF this new school year.

## **7. God transformed many students through IVCF Student Ministry**

God had blessed our ministries with our 5 flagship programs. Many students are evangelized, discipled, trained for leadership and missions. Yes, there are a lot of rooms for improvements in the way we do ministries, but God is creating lasting impact in the lives of our students and graduates.

# **II. Reports and Results for our Five Flagship Programs**

## **1. Evangelism Flagship Program - "proclaiming Christ's gospel"**

*impact we aim to achieve: **A vibrant Christian student witness in key educational institutions in the country.***

IVCF Philippines became very active in communicating the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ during the school year 2009-2010. During the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter, Freshmen Treat programs happened in different campus chapters of our regions. Different regions used different methods of sharing the gospel: Classroom Evangelism, Commando Evangelism, Creative Mime & Drama, and Evangelistic Concerts. In WVRU, we started Senior Retreat, sharing the gospel to graduating students.

We intensified our Evangelistic Bible Study programs, with 201 EBS groups formed, attended by 1,829 students. This signifies focused series study of the gospel narratives for deeper understanding of the gospel. Praise God for 1,215 students who professed becoming Christians through IVCF's ministry. And we are excited about the 1,714 new members of our campus chapters.

More students were trained to share the gospel this school year. We pray that this will result to more evangelism activities for the next school year.

- 7,033 students heard the Gospel
- 1,714 students became Christians
- 1,572 recruited as new members
- 201 Evangelistic Bible Study groups were formed, attended by 1,829 students
- 160 Evangelism training events were held, attended by 2,818 students

## Testimony

I thank the Lord for bringing me to IVCF. Through IVCF, I received Jesus Christ as my personal Lord and Savior. Through IVCF, I discover the real me. For almost 18 years I was just “a church kid, a Sunday Christian.” Now I became a responsible and true Christian because of God's grace and IVCF was an instrument for my transformation. God bless IVCF. Now I am “dugong IV.”  
By Vern Sabanal, Cagayan de Oro College, Northern Mindanao Regional Unit.

## 2. Discipleship Flagship Program – “living as Christ's disciples”

*impact we aim to achieve: **Campuses and communities are influenced by the ideals of the Kingdom.***

IVCF Philippines continued to focus on discipling our students. Now there were more Cell Groups formed with more members' attendance. More Large Group Meetings were held. There were fewer formal Discipleship training events, but more creative discipleship approaches were used: Ladies and Gents Nights, Spiritual Retreats, Film Showing events, Jogging Fellowship, Dawn Prayer Walking, Chain Fasting and Prayer. Our IV-Home ministries continued to be strategic for our flagship programs.

- 1,362 members were discipled this school year
- 381 Discipleship Cell Groups were formed, where 2,058 members participated
- 164 Large Group Meetings were held in the campuses, attended by 3,478 students
- 151 Prayer Meetings were held, attended by 1,97 students
- 78 Discipleship Training Events here held, attended by 1,149 students

## Testimony

ISCF played a very important role in my spiritual growth and maturity. I know that it's the Holy Spirit that's working in my life but ISCF is God's instrument in reaching out to me. Because of ISCF, I realized that genuine praise and worship is not about the dramatic songs, or the complete set of instruments, or even the good talker worship leader. Genuine worship is about worshiping God in Spirit and in truth. The greatest realization that ISCF imparted to me is Christ. To serve him, to love him, and to make him the center of my everything.

I never thought that a small organization in our school could affect my whole life. I thank God for ISCF, and my prayer is that many students in our school would know Christ and have that passion for him, through ISCF.

By Keziah Gen Asilom, 3rd year ISCF'er from Cebu City Science High School, Central & Eastern Visayas Regional Unit.

## 3. Mission Flagship Program – “preparing as Christ's missionaries”

*impact we aim to achieve: **An expanding work among unreached people groups (UPGs).***

Our mission program focused on mobilizing students and graduates for missions in the campus with a long-term impact in the future. This involved re-educating our students about what missions is all about using our mission training program materials and special missions events.

This flagship program did not only reach out to students, but to graduates, other organizations, and local churches as well. There was 100 students and graduates who seriously accepted their specific roles in missions (prayer, mobilizing, welcomers, senders, goers, and learners). A number of campus chapter members received first-hand experience of cross-cultural

missions work through our mission exposure camps. The Missions Team, composed of young graduates and student leaders, continued to be active as missions mobilizers for campuses and churches.

- 602 students joined our 55 Missions Training Events

### **Testimony**

The song, “*Jesus loves the little children,*” was in my head as I look at the Muslim kids during our Medical & Dental Mission at the Islamic Center. “*Lord, You love these children and may You use this medical mission to reach them and their families. Religious difference won’t hinder You from doing something—nothing dare defies Your sovereignty.*” was my prayer after interviewing the parents of the almost 200 M kids waiting to be treated and fed during that cloudy and crisp day, the 24th of September 2010. As I looked at the children who were playing near the Registration table where I was assigned and seeing their living conditions, my heart ripped and I was brought to the conviction that these people are in dire need of Jesus. God has put a special place in my heart for Missions. It’s been my prayer that He would use me to be a channel of His love especially to those who haven’t yet come to know Him as their Lord and Savior.

By Kaye De Ramos, 4th Year Community Development student, UP Manila, Metro Manila Regional Unit

### **4. Leadership Flagship Program – “leading as Christ’s servants”**

*impact we aim to achieve: **Progressive campuses, churches, and communities led by excellent and faithful servant-leaders.***

This school year our leadership program was geared to training existing student leaders. This meant lesser number of new students were part of our leadership training. Regional Units continued to strengthen Student Leadership Council. A few Regional Units started Intentional Mentoring Program, partnering students with graduates of the same profession or educational background.

This resulted to stronger and more active student leadership. One example is “AlterNation,” a university wide evangelism and national building event, held in UP Diliman, was led by student leaders with minimum involvement of IVCF staff. The IVCF contributed to the leadership training of Jerome Montes, President of Campus Impact Christian Fellowship (IVCF chapter in Philippine Christian University) for SY 2009-2010, and he is now the President of the University Student Government, the highest governing student-led organization of PCU. He continues his involvement with IVCF in his campus.

- 891 students joined our leadership program
- 126 Leadership Training Events were held, attended by 891 students

### **Testimonies**

I. God worked in me in so many ways. He taught me diligence for work, prioritizing, setting a strategic & conducive mindset for campus ministry, being mindful of my spiritual health, the value of accountability and transparency by being a part of a cell group. God processed my heart for a desire to seek after His own heart. God taught me how humility and obedience to Him can be valued in leadership. The value of serving as a leader is indeed submitting, serving, suffering, super modeling & sailing on with all my mind, soul & strength.

By Nico Arcenas, Davao City, Southern Mindanao Regional Unit

**II.** I didn't want to become a leader but God called me anyway. He placed me in our church to be part of our Youth Council. I wasn't glorifying God as I serve the ministry. I was doing things of service just because I was told by the older Ate & Kuya in the council. I had problems dealing with the leadership granted upon me so I just started to run away from it. I involved myself into studying intently so there would be any time for the ministry & when summer began I focused myself on my preparations for college and started church hopping. So when Kuya Erickson taught us about "Servant-Leadership," I knew that this was all God has been telling me all along. He wanted me to realize that the true essence of becoming a leader is to be like Christ. God revealed to me His wonderful & glorious plan for me to serve others just like Jesus did. I thank God for completely ruling over my life and making me understand His purpose for my service.

By Vida Vasquez, ISCF LCDC 2010 Church Delegate, Kamuning Bible Christian Church

**5. Nurturing the Movement – “nurturing IVCF for Christ’s Great Commission.”**

*impact we aim to achieve: **A sustained movement relevant to the times and a blessing to the nations***

This school year IVCF Philippines made intensified our Nurturing the Movement programs: National Conference, Fundraising, Ministry to Graduates, Training of staff and GT volunteers, partnership to churches and other organizations.

REGION	Number of VOLUNTEERS					
	Adviser	ISCF Counselors	GT Members	Church Partners	Donors	RAC
1. MMRU	15	25	12	6	14	5
2. NLRU	2	0	1	2	34	4
3. SLRU	6	5	6	3	20	8
4. BRU	3	0	8	8	35	8
5. WVRU	13	0	17	1	29	6
6. CEVRU	4	7	9	0	50	7
7. NMRU	3	1	12	1	24	5
8. CRU	4	2	12	4	18	0
9. SMRU	13	8	17	6	21	9
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>245</b>	<b>52</b>

We praise God and thank all our partners, volunteers, donors. These were the people who helped nurture IVCF to be able to minister to students and graduates with our first 4 flagship programs. Glory to God.