

## **Efren Algaba: Report on January 2023**

Dear brother Mark,

My greetings to you and your family as well as to the brethren there, especially to the elders, preacher and deacons, and to all the saints there in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

As to my work in the past month, 8 souls were baptized, here is the details.

January 4 : I and my wife went to Pagsanjan to withdraw the fund from the dear brethren, but due to heavy non-stop rain, we arrived at home about 4:00 in the afternoon, my feet was slightly swollen and painful but blessing we have some kinoki at home, so the swollen was not acute and it slightly healed. I shared the gospel to the owner of the Generika and two helpmates.

January 5 : I went to Santa Cruz, Sunstar for load and to register my globe sim card, that was 11:00 in the morning, and it was 2:00 in the afternoon when i finish the transaction, we arrived at home about 3:00 in the afternoon and ate around 4:00 in the afternoon, then i rest my feet.

January 7 : I went to Sariaya, Quezon where I preached to three houses, I also preached to the family of brother Jose but he has a flu so I gave him some money for the medicine and his daughter-in-law have asthma so I also gave her money for some medicine, 4 decided to put on Christ after my preaching in the afternoon, morning in sunday service a sudden moment because the attendance is complete but the other 4 got annoyed for waiting the chairs we borrowed from the neighbor so they went back to their homes, my topic was about Heb 10:25-29

January 9 : After eating breakfast we went to boy Remo, out of 2 hours he decided to come with us at his wife which I did my best to convinced too so on friday, in Lord's will, the couple will obey the gospel. Boy Tigas, an ex-convict who contained that every churches of denomination is connected and said he entered many different denominations and they are all correct but I asked him to let me explain my side within 30 minutes, after my explanation I told him to ask me questions and display his arguments but he was silent, unlike when we just arrived, then he decided to be baptized on friday too. Another one was baptized here in Disdis, Sariaya, Quezon. After 2 hours of explanation and preaching, Another one who heard me was a catholic fanatics out of almost one and a half hours I stopped knowing he will not obey the truth. Acts 28:26

January 10 We went to Montecelio and preach to the family of Rimo where 2 family heard me, then we moved to his friend, Roderick but only 20 minutes cause he is getting ready for his business and then we moved to his ex-convict friend to be sure for his baptism with Boy Rimo, consumed 40 minutes of explanation for his lots of question and explanation then we moved to Disdis to the house of his co-deacons in INC,

Feliciano Landicho, he was a 20 years deacons in INC, he agreed to my irrefutable explanation here to their whisted doctrine, but the true doctrine is strange to him although he wasn't able to refute it, I asked him which is correct, the written or unwritten doctrine. 3:00 in the afternoon when we arrived at home, after eating, his neighbor asked me lots of things, later on the 8 men agreed with me, one of them decided to put on Christ and in Lord's will tomorrow.

January 11 I and brother Rolly went to barangay Mangalang, another barangay in Sariaya. I met isko Coronel, the leader of the different sec there, after 2 hours of preaching, he was convinced about the one body and baptism is the only way to get into Christ, Mark 16:15-16 Matthew 28:19 Galatians 3:26-27 I Peter 1:22-25 I Peter 2:1-2 the true born with Christ mentioned in John 3 1-5 and the apostles preaching were not various, I Corinthians 15:11 I corinthians 15:1-4 other ways that is another gospel Galatians 1:6-8 the same day in Mangalang, we went to his another friend, one woman who heard me, both of isko and the another woman were satisfied and asked me to come back, then we returned to the house where I'm staying.

January 12 Brother Rolly and his wife went to town and it was 5:00 in the afternoon when they returned.

January 13 we went to Aroma beach in Disdis, 3 heard my preaching there, Danny and his friend heard me and became interested after knowing that faith only is not enough, I explained to him the seven unifying one, Ephesians 4:3-5, I focused on one baptism and one body then conclude to I Corinthians 12:13 A man must be baptized into one body. Danny told me that upon my return, they will obey the gospel because he must talk to his family first. Then we moved to Rudy Carandang, still in Disdis, the couple are member of Born Again and I explained to them while the true born again in the John 3:1-5 the kingdom in the Church of Christ are exchangeable used, Matthew 16:18-19 in fact Daniel 2:44, Matthew 3:2, 6:33 Mark 9:1 Acts 1:8 Acts 2:36-41 the kingdom of God came, the Church of Christ established John 3:1-5 born again means baptism because of the precious gospel Galatians 3:26-27.

January 14 I went back home after 6 days of staying and preaching in Sariaya Quezon, after about five hours of traveling, at last my home sweet home! I took a rest after eating, upon the coming of my support, I plan to return there, however, my problem is there is no chairs, I must buy the chair at least 30 pieces, about the chapel, I need 6,000 pesos for the rental at the certain house there, 1 month deposit for 3,000 and another 3000 for 1 month payment, with total of 6000 pesos. It is hard for me to shoulder it due to my medicines and Eva, my daughter's medicine, lots of trial I met, blurry right eyes due to cataract, hard hearing on my left ears, Eva's medicines since childhood and now to shoulder the chairs and rental for the church during assembly there while the church incapacious to pay for the rental but I can do all things through christ which strengthens me Philippians 4:13 Philippians 1:21 to live is to christ, to die is to rest.

January 15 worship in Jasaan, I taught them the obligation of different parts of the body, to protect and to convert the lost. Our visitor is the son-in-law of brother Ignacio from infantia, my preaching in Jasaan where the attendance is fair, the son-in-law bro. Ignacio was our visitor, he appreciated my way of preaching the brethren enjoyed the duty of every member of one body.

January 16 I and my wife went to San Antonio for visitation to the brethren for always not attending our service and also to preach there to the non-christian, one of them is my elementary classmate named Gudencio Vitasa which is one of the rich man in San antonio, when I mentioned my work, he admired it but he said for him all the religion are the same so i asked for even 15 minutes to explain my view about it, later on he changed his belief and agreed with me, he was actually second to me when were still studying, he is a mathematician. So he asked me to return there after almost two hours of discussion and told me he just to want to convince his wife for baptism.

January 17 I returned to San Antonio to encourage the fund of absent and also to preach to Guding but unfortunately he was not there due to his other business, while his wife is on the other business, it was 4:00 in the afternoon when we arrived at home.

January 18 I and my wife went to the field here in Kalayaan vicinity but as usual, if not busy they are all fanatic to the sect where they belong.

January 19 I and my wife went to field for my preaching but the same with situation in Kalayaan people, we then went to Balian, where we resided within one year and converted a family of brother Eddie, our neighbor etcetera. But unfortunately the highway was widened so they were all transferred to unknown area, all the other brethren changed their address already and only one family we saw and after 1 hour of preaching we went back home, he promised to attend our service.

January 20 I tried to restored the family of bro. Mario, after 2 hours they were convinced but on our service they were all busy for their business, I took a rest for my feet at home and then edify the brethren from abroad as well as here in the philippines through using the social media.

January 21 I and my wife went to Jasaan for visitation and teaching, we also visited the mother of bro. Lino in Calumpang just to see and preach the difference between Catholic and Church of Christ but it seems my preaching has no effect due to her being fanatic and devoted to catholic Acts 28:26, her heart was blind II corinthian 4:4, we arrived at home about 5:00 in the afternoon.

January 22 Sunday service in Jasaan, my topic was about the difference between amillennialism and premillennialism, we had a good discussion as all participated.

January 23 I and my wife went to San Antonio to convert Guding and his family but as usual he and his wife were working out of their home so I just look for other people but we are unlucky so we went back home.

January 24 I and my daughter Faith, removed the ceiling due to termites, then we fix the roof of the church stage.

January 25 I cemented the floor of the chapel and I also repaired the floor of the chapel stage due to termites who ate the plywood unknowingly.

January 26 I change the tire in front of my car as well as the break in front, I brought it to the mechanic in Sta. Cruz to fix the horn as well as the wiper.

January 27 The rain was too heavy so I decided to stay at home and preached to the prospect in abroad, my Nigerian fb friends.

January 28: Once again, I and my wife went to San Antonio for preaching to my prospect there but Guding is a very busy man with his business so I moved to my cousin Junjun Algaba but he was not in his house and also busy for his work as a carpenter while his son was in school.

January 29 : My topic is about the ideal family.

January 30: I prepared my report and send.

Thank you so much my dear brother for constant trust and fellowship with me, especially to all the beloved elders. You, your family as well as all the brethren there especially the elders are kept in our prayers, for healthy body and soul. May God continuously bless your kind soul.

In Christ,  
Efren