



Frank Denisi



Reaching the
Philippines

INFORMATION PACKET

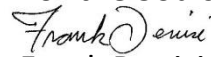
Dear Pastor,

I am a missionary to the Cebuano people of the Philippines. The Cebuano people are the people group of the Central and Southern Islands of the Philippines. Most mission work has been done in the Northern islands where the capital of Manila is located, and thus the Southern islands have been neglected. I have been in the Philippines since 2006 and have been working with my parents who are also church planters. I have learned the language, and am at a place in the Philippines that is in great need of missionaries.

I have included my information, recommendation letters, and doctrinal statement in this packet. Would you please go over it, and Lord-willing please consider having me present my ministry at your church. I can be reached at the contact information located below.

Thank you for taking the time to look over my packet.

For the Souls of Man,



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MY TESTIMONY

I was born on March 1982 into a Christian family. My parents, Peter & Nenita Denisi, who are also BIMI missionaries in the Philippines, raised me and my brother, and my sisters in a God-fearing home. It was not until I was age fifteen, that I realized of my need for salvation. I did remember when I was a young child praying a prayer, but it was not until age fifteen that I truly put my trust in the finished work of Jesus Christ on the cross. That day was October 24, 1997, and I have not been the same since.

At the age of 18, while at a youth retreat, I saw many of the boys in my youth group, make decisions to preach, and go to Bible school. In my heart I already made that decision, but it was not known publicly. It was there that my youth pastor urged to make it public, and I thank him for it. I especially thank the Lord that I got to be in a good youth group, at a growing independent Baptist church. This is where I made my decision go to Bible school at Pensacola Christian College. From 2000-2004, I was an undergrad student there at Pensacola. Weekly, I attended the Missions Prayer Band for the college students. We would have missionaries come, share testimonies, and then we would pray for them. My heart for God was tender then, just as it is now. Back then it seemed that whatever the country the missionary was from, that was the country that I wanted to go!

It was not until the summer of 2004 that I went back to the Philippines to help in the ministry here. I would preach and share the gospel to the Filipinos, and then I realized, that many of them were hearing the Gospel for the first time in their lives! What a privilege to be the preacher to preach the Gospel to these precious souls. God spoke to me and let me know that this is what He wants me to do for the rest of my life. It was then that I received a definite call to be a missionary in the Philippines. I returned to Pensacola, and finished my Seminary, earning an M.A. in Bible Exposition. But my heart was still in the Philippines. Consequentially, the day after graduation in 2006, I went back to the Philippines, and have been faithfully ministering



here ever since. I have been assisting my father, and have gained practical training in church



planting in the Philippines. God has allowed my experience of being the assistant pastor for 3½ years in the Philippines, as well as my 3 years of pastoral

internship at Smyrna Baptist Church, and Fil-Am Baptist Church in Pensacola, FL, to prepare me for the great harvest field of the Philippines. I do have a vision to reach the lost by planting churches, starting Bible schools, and training the nationals to do the same.

THE PEOPLE & HISTORY OF THE VISAYAN ISLANDS

The Visayan Islands in the South Central area of the Philippines consist mainly of Negros, Cebu, Bohol, Panay, Leyte, Samar and Masbate. The people are of Austronesian and Negrito decent. There are many people who still speak dialects that are rooted in Spanish, and the main dialect of the

Visayan Islands has roots in Spanish. Because of the Spanish influence, **81% of the people are Roman Catholic** while about **5% are Muslim**. These people need to hear the precious Gospel of Christ! On the Island of Cebu alone, which is the island that our first church plant is based, there almost **3 million people**, and only **6 Independent Baptist**

American missionaries that I know of, and a number of national works. The task and need are great for missions in the Visayas to these Cebuano Speaking people, but we serve a God who is greater, and “nothing shall be impossible.” Mission’s in this area was trail-blazed by the late missionary named



Bob Hughes. My mother was saved under the work that he started. Also, the terms Visayan and Cebuano are interchangeable.



Pictured Top Right: The Cross of Ferdinand Magellan. **Left:** That’s me visiting in the mountains of Cebu. **Lower Right:** A map showing where the Visayas are located, a picture of Bob Hughes (ca. 1965), a map showing the island of Cebu where we have our first church plant.

MINISTRY EXPERIENCE

- B.A. Bible from Pensacola Christian College
- M.A. Bible Exposition from Pensacola Theological Seminary
- 1 Year Pastoral Internship at Smyrna Baptist Church, Pensacola, FL
- 2 Years Pastoral Internship at Filipino-American Baptist Church, Pensacola, FL
- Ordained in 2006
- 4 years as Missionary in the Philippines on the Island of Cebu, assisting in church planting.
- Learned the Cebuano language in 2007.
- Camp and Conference Speaker in the Philippines
- 3 years as Assistant pastor and 1 year as Furlough pastor
- Approved as a BIMl missionary on Dec. 7, 2009.

REFERENCES



“Frank has been involved in soulwinning, visitation, youth work, music, preaching, and many other ministries...I have seen Frank at work and have confidence that the Lord is going to use him. He is worthy of your support.” –Dr. J.B. Godfrey, FAR EAST DIRECTOR FOR BIMl



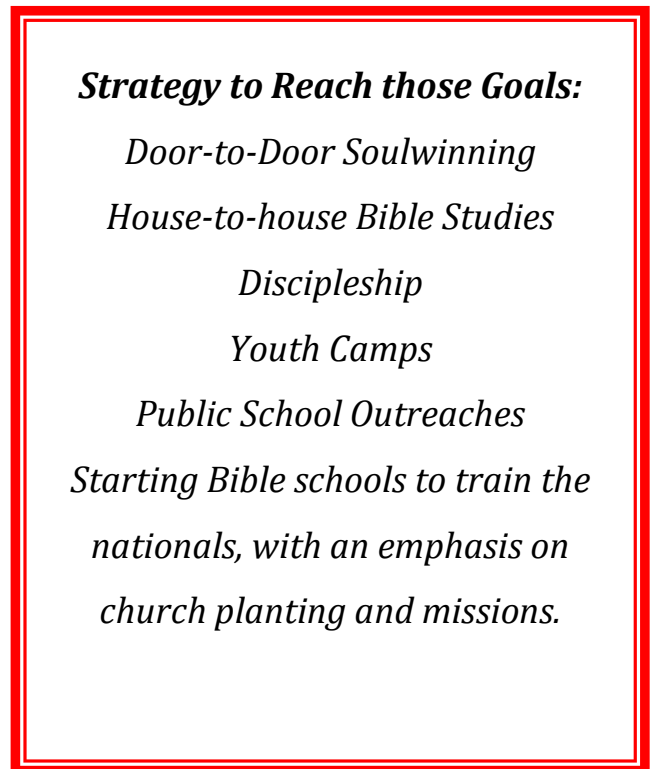
“I have known Frank for several years...Any church that has him for a meeting will be blessed by his ministry. He has a servants’ heart and leaves a good impression wherever he goes.” – Dr. Don Sisk, Former Pres. of BIMl & Current Chairman of Missions, West Coast Baptist College



“In all my years of ministry I’ve never met a young man more passionate about the gospel of Christ...he has an amazing desire to see the lost come to the Savior.” – Pastor Shad Smith, sending pastor



“I am highly recommending Frank...This is not because he is my own son, but because I have seen his hard-work and love for the Filipino souls.” – Missionary Peter Denisi, veteran missionary



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