

## TRANSLATORS ASSOCIATION OF THE PHILIPPINES, INC.

# PRAYER BULLETIN

Praises and prayer requests of TAP Family for the month of March, 2024

# Nominees for BOT 2024-2026 (in alphabetical order)

ARCOLAS, RONNIE; 59 years old Mansilingan, First Baptist Church Pastoral Work for 23 years, Used to work with PHILRADS—Negros Based, Collection Supervisor of a Lending Company and Head of Special Funding Dept. of a Rural Bank who used to have branches nationwide. Graduated in Masters of Divinity from ATS-Bacolod and was once a faculty as well.

BARRETO, JEAN; 62 years old Emmaus Road Counseling Center, Counselor, Naomi Widow's Ministry, GCF Growth Group, Women's Ministry Prayer Core, Leader of Bible Study Fellowship (BSF). Graduated from Ateneo de Manila with a degree in Communication Arts; UP Diliman, Music Compositon

BUNSOY, RENE; 57 years old Manager (NGO for Overseas Filipino Workers), Former Managing Director, Fairway Lending Corp., former Graphic Artist/Operator House of Colors, Marketing & Sales, former School Pastor & Guidance Counselor Cornerstone Academy

BONTILAO, SAMUEL; 47 years old Missions Pastor, International Charismatic Service Assemblies of God, Missions Mobilizer, Assistant World Missions Director (PGCAG, Metro Manila), former Department Head, Accenture Savings and Loans Association (1997 – 2009)







#### **GOD CALLS LEADERS FOR TAP**

When God calls, He also empowers. He never stops expressing His love to His chosen ones, especially to those whom He has called out to do specific tasks for the kingdom. He never stops making Himself known, through humble vessels for His honor.

Praise GOD for the response of TAP members to our call for nominations to the new set of board members for 2024-2026.

For TAP members, kindly prayerfully consider to whom you will cast your vote for. Let us ask the Father for a discerning spirit as we responsibly make choices for this biennium.

For our prayer partners, please pray for TAP members that we may not miss God's best for this biennium as we join Him in the work He has started and continues to sustain for His glorious praise in Christ Jesus, our Enabler!

#### WE COVET YOUR PRAYERS FOR:

- 1. The success of the upcoming 17th Biennial Conference from April 22-25.
- 2. For God's guidance as we elect our new set of leaders: executive director and board of trustees.
- 3. For safe travels and financial provisions for all members coming to the conference.
- 4. Spirit-inspired and Spirit-filled devotional speakers and field reports.
- 5. Overall, a God-honoring event that displays oneness of mind and spirit, submitting to the Sovereign will of God in all aspects of the ministry. Afterall, we are simply instruments in the hands of a Mighty God, who controls the times and the seasons, events and circumstances. May He find us truly trustworthy, conscientious and ever willing to embrace changes, knowing He is in full control.

"As long as the trunk is firm, worry not over the branches swaying to the wind." Chinese Proverb CANLAS, EDUARDO; 57 years old Current Chairman of the BOT of Luzon Convention of Southern Baptist Churches (LCSBC), Teaching professor at Grace Christian College (teaching language, theology, and philosophy), and Professor at Southern Baptist School of Theology.

EBOJO, EDUARDO; 52 years old Global Translation Advisor, United Bible Societies/Philippine Bible Society, Doctor of Philosophy in Biblical Studies (major in NT Text and Manuscripts), University of Birmingham, UK; Master of Theology in Biblical Exegesis and Translation Studies, Trinity Theological College, Singapore; Master of Divinity in Biblical Studies, Asian Theological Seminary; Master of Intercultural Studies, Philippine Uniting Theological Seminary; Bachelor of Christian Ministry in Biblical Studies, Bethel Bible College

MALON, RODELO (Jun); 51 years old Senior Pastor of The Word for Everyone Ministries International Inc.(Evangelical) in General Santos, 29 years in Pastoral work, 25 years as Mother tongue translator of the Tagakaulo NT, 20 years in Radio Bible Teaching Ministry

TIAGA, ANDREW; 36 years old
Senior Pastor/Bible School Director
ODIONGAN FOURSQUARE GOSPEL
CHURCH, PhD in Transformational
Learning (units) Asia Pacific Nazarene
Theological Seminary; MAEd major
in Library & Information Science,
Philippine Normal University;
Bachelor of Secondary Education,
Romblon State University; Bachelor
of Theology, Foursquare Bible
College, Romblon Campus Inc.









## TAP REPRESENTATIVES TO THE BOARD CANDIDATES 2024-2026





TEREZA CHIONG IGNACIO MAGANGAT for one Northern Group Representative





**MARIO ALBELDA** 





ANDREW REY PEÑA

for one

Central Group

Representative





MILAGROS CAGAPE LYNNE PINA for one Southern Group Representative

### PRAISES, PRAISES, PRAISES!

- \*\*\*Praise God for the success of the initial steps for the possibility of a cluster Oral Bible Translation (OBT) project for the three language communities of Tingguian Inlaud, Isneg-Conner Apayao, and Sadanga in the mountain province in collaboration with Philippine Bible Society.
- \*\*\*Praise God for opening doors of opportunities to serve our indigenous people groups, enlarging our serving plate.
- \*\*\* Praise God for the God-sent donor who sponsored the 6 basic laboratory tests for all TAP members who would choose to avail on April 21 in coordination with Generika, Puregold, Holy Spirit, Quezon City.

#### PLEASE STAND IN THE GAP FOR -

The Binukid Old Testament translation project (Bukidnon)

- It is TAP's first language project that uses AI to produce the first draft. Pray for good health and wisdom for the translation team and their families. Also pray for The Bible Translation Assistant (TBTA), development of a software of an exegetical app deemed to fast track the translation process without compromising the quality. Pray for all those involved in this project. May the Lord bless them with wisdom, discernment and a closer walk with the Master as they work on this project.

Language Survey of Tandaganon - Please pray for safe travel and good connections for a follow-up language survey of the Tandaganon language in March in the province of Surigao Del Sur. Ask the blessings of the Lord for a possible cluster project in the south.

Translation workers (mother-tongue translators or MTTs, checkers, project facilitators, team leaders, and consultants) – We covet your intercessions for those serving unselfishly among indigenous people groups, mostly located in hard-to-reach places. Seek blessing from the Lord of the Harvest so that their sacrifices and hard work will touch the communities they are serving. May the Lord grant them good health and well-being, as they consistently seek to please Him.

For more questions, please
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BALBINA TABLAZON ABADIANO
Sept 17, 1938-Feb 11, 2024

In Psalm 119:32-33. We read, "Just tell me what to do and I will do it, Lord. As long as I live, I'll wholeheartedly obey. Make me walk along the right paths for I know how delightful they really are."

This text came to life through ate Bea. I salute this frail looking lady whose heart just would not stop beating for Bible Translation! She had been a willing instrument to complete two New Testaments: Cuyonon and the Kinaray-a.

The Cuyonon New Testament of Palawan was launched in 1982, done in partnership with the Association of Baptists for World Evangelism (ABWE) and the Philippine Bible Society (PBS). The late kuya Ted, the first Executive Director of TAP and ate Bea's love story began to blossom as they were working on the Cuyonon New Testament.

Did you know that she has had two bi-pass operations – one while she was about 18 years old and the other when she was 66 years old. Amazingly, only after about four months after her last operation, off she went to resume work in Antique to complete the task of bringing the New Testament in Kinaray-a, which was dedicated to the Lord on September 26, 2009 while storm Ondoy ravaged large parts of Luzon.

She would always say just as John the Baptist said, "He must increase but I must decrease." She is a woman who gives her best in obedience to the Lord's will, in spite of circumstances she remains an example worthy of emulation. A woman of prayer until she breathes her last.

The surrendered life of ate Bea is truly an inspiration. We celebrate God's faithfulness and the many miracles God lovingly manifested in her life. And she has now joyfully joined the welcoming team in heaven.

Thank you for your life and see you in the morning, ate Bea!