BLESSINGS OF A SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHER

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GOD'S PURPOSE TO PWDs

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STORY OF TWO TEACHERS

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CIELO DALDE & CYREL BUENABAJO SEPTEMBER EVENT

LIVELIHOOD TRAINING

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Teacher cielo dalde Teacher's Month edition

I am a blessed Teacher

My name is Cielo Dalde, a trainer of children with disabilities. Presently I live in City of Sta. Rosa, Laguna, together with my family. I graduated from Polytechnic University of the Philippines with the degree in BS Clinical Psychology in 2015 at the age of 18.

During my internship, I taught special children that had been a wake-up call for me. Teaching special child was very unforgettable specially the feeling of happiness when you see them learning because of you. That was the time I knew to myself that I want to be a SPED Teacher someday.

Soon after graduation I worked as a General Affairs Staff in a production company for almost one year. In 2016, I resigned from the company and decided to start my new career as a SPED Teacher at the age of 20. The Child Formation Center(CFC) in Sta. Rosa, Laguna, gave me an opportunity to achieve my goal.

The first months of teaching were not easy. You need to know and analyze the individualities of each students - the program, their likes and dislikes, their needs, the parents' expectations, and many more. I asked to myself if I can really handle all these situations- knowing the possibility that they can hurt me physically. They can also do such messy things. Parents may object to the program you're giving to their child. That question already had an answer. I am working as a SPED teacher for almost two school years now. It is not easy. But if your mind is open on what you are doing and you do it with the heart, the progress of the students will be easy because they feel that their teacher cares for them and loves them. The progress of the students is one of the highest achievements of a SPED teacher.

Teaching Children with Disabilities gives me a true happiness

After two school years working at CFC, the Persons with Multiple Disabilities Foundation Corp. (PWMDFC), opened for me an opportunity to continue my goal as a trainer of children with multiple disabilities. I am so blessed to be a part of their advocacy and so much thankful for trusting me on my skills in teaching.

Training a 13 years old students and above is more challenging. I need to be their mother and teacher for 3 hours a day. Yes, children with disabilities will give you stress. But they are also the one who will give you reason to smile in many ways and that stress mood will gradually lessen and covered by happiness.



A R R \mathbf{O} G D \mathbf{O} B C F Ν U F ABAJO N "MY TENACITY, ABETMENT, ADVOCACY AND GOD

CENTEREDNESS"

Praise the Lord! Prayer does not change God, but changes him who prays! "One thing I know: the only ones among you who will be really happy are those who will have sought and found how to serve."My name is Mrs. Cyrel R. Buenabajo, born at Matara, Libon, Albay to a middle class family. I was the eldest of seven children. My mother is Opella Rellama and my father is Albino Rogando who was one of the Most Outstanding Barangay Captains. I started my primary schooling at Oas Central Elementary School and continued my secondary education at Polangui General Comprehensive High School. I, took up Bachelor of Education at Bicol University and graduated with flying colors. I also served as a Kabataan Barangay chairman in Bicol for four years while studying

I taught for three years in a public school in a remote area in Cadawag Elementary School where walking for 18 kilometers was the only means of transportation.I am currently working at Child Formation Center as SpEd Teacher. On my 25th year, I received various recognition at the said institution such as Model employee of the year in 2010 and Loyalty awards on my 5th, 10th, 15th and 20th year of service. I am one of the consultants of Persons With Multiple Disability Center. I am an active church volunteer at Sta. Rosa Delima. I also served as Lector and Commentator in the Ministry for 2 years now. I am a God-fearing person who loves helping others but not expecting anything in return.

I am married to Mr. Amor Buenabajo for 21 years. We have four children namely Princess April Cymor R. Buenabajo, Christina Amor R. Buenabajo, Amor Jr. R. Buenabajo and James Berard R. Buenabajo.

I am truly an advocate of education for special-needs and struggling students. The tenacity and abetment for my student has created in me the desire to share the message of education offers benefiting to everyone.

Teaching is work of the heart. As a teacher we must embrace the imperfections of our students and give them courage and enough knowledge and wisdom to be the best version of who they are.

Who can be a better teacher than life? It's always throwing some difficult problems in your way, seeing what you will do with it. I for myself struggle lot in my work but this leads nothing but improvements. Being a Special Education Teacher brings me so much joy. I found out that students need love, care, understanding and equal treatment. I wanted to help students in struggling communities who have learning hurdles to overcome those barriers and be successful in the classroom.

I've realized that teaching is about filling students with knowledge, exposure, and empowerment. The more I pour into them, the better prepared they will be for the next challenges they would face in life. One single educator can impact so many lives. I teach because I have been blessed to have so many influential people who pour excellence into my cup and I feel the responsibility to do the same for the next generation. My hope is that I can inspire even to just a few to want to keep it going and give back when they have the opportunity to do so.

I am not just their teacher; I am their chance to see the world from within the walls of our classroom!



"YOU ARE FEARFULLY AND WONDERFULLY MADE" – PSALM 139:14

Some people think it is hard to have disabilities. Some may think that they are unable to do something because they are lacking o or may be others are asking why they are created to be like that. But, think about this. You are blessed to be born in this world. God gave you life to see His beauty and He created you to see His marvelous power and to glorify His Name. You may be asking why I was born like this. Remember, "It is God who directs the lives of His creatures; everyone's life is in His power". It means we cannot question His omnipotence instead we must be thankful that He created us in order to glorify His Mighty Name. You were made for God and let God use your life for His purpose.

I remember a friend of mine who is a parent to a child with Lang Down syndrome. She said it is hard at first but when she understood that God gave this wonderful to be taken cared of and be thankful in all things. She said, "Life begins with God." It is His plan that we have to follow. In Colossians 1:16 says, everything got started in Him and finds its purpose in Him. He directs our lives and we cannot fathom His power. You were in His care even before you were born (Isaiah 44:2). Your parents may not have planned you, but God did. You were conceived in the mind of God. The Bible says. You know me inside and out, you know every bone in my body, You know exactly how I was made bit by bit how I was sculpted from the very start. God planned it all for His purpose. He has a reason for everything He created.

Look at the beauty of life and start to appreciate His goodness. Every year, he adds your days and take good care of you every day. You are still breathing and provides everything you need. He guards you in your path and your love ones around you.

I was reminded of the story about Jesus who healed a man born blind in John chapter 9. The disciples asked Jesus, who sinned-this man or his parents that he was born blind? But Jesus said, "Neither this man nor his parents' sinned. This happened so that the work of God might be displayed in his life. If you think that you are unable because of your physical condition God is not yet finished in His work in your life, He is at work. In the eyes of people we are incapable but in the very heart of God we are created in His image for His glory. The good thing you will do is to believe and obey His Words and learn to trust Jesus everyday of life.

We need to keep in mind that the love and grace of God are not only available to able people but also to those who are experiencing disability. Find His purpose and you'll see the beauty of life. You were born and created with God's purpose. Use your life in a meaningfully and joyfully for His glory. Because of His Grace.

Pastor Sherwin Bernal & Sis. Vindilyn Bernal

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The event was led by Mrs. Myrna Visco. She was generous enough to share her knowlege in making empanada and butse. Her life story was very inspiring to the trainees according to her, by making those products she was able to send her kids to college aside from being a teacher in Los Banos Community High School. The event is not merely learning how to cook but they also learned how to do product costing.



Livelihood Program The first Livelihood Program was held Last September 23, 2018 in our center in Amihan Subdivision. Sta Rosa City. It was attended by the mothers of the PWDs and some members of the Federation of PWD Sta Rosa headed by Sir **Buboy Palad. Pastor** Sherwin Bernal led the opening prayer. The Federation has been very supportive to the event of **PWMDFC**

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