

Balikatan Board Presentation

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Balikatan 101

- Started by a group of concerned and generous IVCF alumni in the US to bail out IVCFP from potential insolvency
- Formally organized and incorporated in 1984 with the main purpose of prayerfully and financially supporting IVCFP and alumni in missions, and to support and encourage fellowship amongst alumni in North America
- Channel for remitting financial support from alumni and friends to IVCFP
- Liaison between alumni and IVCFP ministries and needs

Balikatan 101

- Informal partnership between two organizations (IVCFP and Balikatan) with the same objective: to reach students in Philippine campuses for Christ
- Informal relationship between Balikatan and alumni fellowship groups in the USA and Canada
 - Canada – Kabalikat sa Ontario (KSO), Kabalikat sa Alberta (KSA), BC (British Columbia) Connections
 - USA – LA Acts (Los Angeles), BA Balikat Ka (Bay Area), IV Cares (Chicago), Tulungan (Virginia/Washington DC), Boston fellowship group, Ugnayan (New York), Crossroads (Indiana, Minnesota, Michigan), Portland/Oregon fellowship group, Florida fellowship group, Atlanta fellowship group

Relationship Building

- Board wants to develop relationships with members – chance meeting once a year at the national or regional conference is not enough
- To address this need (or gap) – a) the Board will attend fellowship group meetings through Skype or Zoom; and b) fellowship groups may use Balikatan's website and/or Facebook account.
- *Update: REOR sent separate requests to all fellowship groups for the Board to attend any of their regular meetings; were part of KSA's regular meeting in June; virtual fellowship via Zoom for 1.5 hours*

Regular Membership Communications

- Quarterly updates on IVCFP's programs and Balikatan's initiatives on website and Facebook account and through emails
- Data cleansing and update of Balikatan's membership directory
- *Update: Lina Hervas-Blair and Abe Navarrete (Co-Chairpersons, Membership Committee)*

IVCFP Building Project

- IVCFP building project: Dr. Isabelo I. Magalit Leadership Development Center - a four-storey building that would serve as a venue for evangelistic, discipleship, leadership and missions development for students and graduates, as well as for use by churches and other partners. Cost is approximately \$0.5M
- *Update: Revised estimate to build is now \$0.6M; IVCFP continues to raise funds and will start to build when adequate funds become available.*

Financial Statements Audit

- For the first time, starting in FY2018-19 Balikpapan's financial statements will be compiled by an independent CPA.
- Balikpapan will apply for accreditation with the Evangelical Council for Financial Accountability (ECFA).
- The annual cost of CPA compilation and ECFA membership is \$1,600.
- *Update: A CPA has been engaged and filing for accreditation will follow after compilation is completed.*

Fund Development

- General fund-raising initiatives, such as, Dollar-a-Day and Philippian Connection have helped IVCFP staff significantly reached their target support in 2018.
- Specific fund-raising campaigns, such as, those directed for the Kawayan Camp have provided subsidy to students who were able to attend a month-long life-transforming experience.
- *Update by Lilia Salazar-Nigro, Chairperson, Fund Development Committee*

Fund Development

Two major projects of Fund Development Committee

- Kawayan Camp/ Intensive Leadership Camp (January- March every year)
- Dollar A Day for IV Staff Pay, ongoing throughout the year

Fund Development

- KC Subsidies:
 - \$10K target goal every year
 - 2018 funds raised by Balikatan \$10K+
 - Via local fellowship group activities
 - additional individual donations exceeded goal due to KC's 60th anniversary last year
 - this year only \$6K raised by fellowship groups; \$1400 for ISCF Leadership Camp
 - Balikatan's Trust Fund profits also given to KC: \$3k each year for both 2018 and 2019

Fund Development

- Dollar A Day
 - US\$35 a month or C\$45 a month per staff worker
 - 15 donors for each staff worker to complete monthly salary support
 - 18 out of 42 staff workers supported through Dollar A Day via FDC
 - Others get support through Philippians Connection: mostly senior staff workers looking for their own donors
- Staff workers receiving full support: Blair Aguil, Lanilyn Arlegui, Efrain Balawag, Imee Gregorio, Rafael Magdaong, Ricky Patricio, Josephine Sanchez, Jonalisa Sinday.

Fund Development

- Receiving partial support: Michele Casiano (8 donors needed) Raffy dela Cruz (13 donors needed), Gretchen Guillas (10 donors needed), Charlie Gujol (13 donors needed), Adriana Nisnisan (9 needed), Laura Pla (9 donors needed), Kennel Jane Pangaral (9 donors needed), Nai (5 donors needed)
- LA ACTS members and friends give support to Lanilyn Arlegui (Administration- fully supported), Mark Arnold Jordan (Metro Manila colleges) and Arjay Janoras (ISCF Metro Manila). If you're interested in giving, please contact Jennie Kizito for Mark Arnold Jordan and Gina Domingo for Arjay Janoras.

Fund Development

- Anybody interested in donating to any of our staff workers named above, please contact Lilia Salazar-Nigro, FDC Chair or other FDC members (Leni Juarez, Dee Barretto, Nanie Concepcion, Primrose Sotocinal, Gina Domingo)

Trust Fund

- In 2016, fund-raising through donations to Balikpapan's Trust Fund was revived. Proceeds from fund investments go primarily to IVCFP.
- Balikpapan envisions a Trust Fund principal balance of \$2M within the next 8 years that will generate a steady financial support to IVCFP, helping to sustain its financial viability over the long-term.
- *Update: Today, we have \$300,000 donated and invested in securities with guaranteed annual return of at least 4%. Please consider donating through the Trust Fund. It is the gift that will keep on giving.*

Alumni in Ministry

- Balikatan recognizes IVCFP alumni who have chosen to serve in full-time Christian ministry through the annual AIM grants.
- For the past 5 years, Balikatan has been giving away an average total of \$2,000 in grants to 3 or more deserving AIMs annually.
- Although the award is not substantial, Balikatan hopes that the search for AIM awardees would provide encouragement to our brothers and sisters who have dedicated their lives to full-time ministry.
- May you also be encouraged to give towards the AIM fund. The more funds generated, the more AIM awardees.
- *Update: by Ramon Rocha, Chairperson, AIM Committee*

2019 AIM Awardees

David Ariel Anota



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Elizabeth Ortiz



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Regional Conferences

- The regional conferences, which alternate every other year with the general conferences, started in 2017 with three regional conferences: in Vallejo (CA) and Williamsburg (VA) in the USA; and Camrose (AB) in Canada.
- This year, the West Coast Regional Conference is being held here at Azusa Pacific University and hosted by LA-ACTS. The East and Midwest Regional Conference is going to be held at Johns Island, South Carolina, and hosted by a group led by Lisa and Leiton Chinn.
- Although still in its pilot stages, the regional conferences have been well attended by mostly first-time Balikatan attendees.
- *Update: Feedback to the regional conferences have been very positive so far. It allowed more first-time Balikatan attendees to attend. It resulted in the formation or activation of new fellowship groups.*

2020 Balikatan Conference

- Video:
- Go to www.balikatan.org and https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=251140041565742&ref=br_rs
- Update:
 - We expect between 200 and 250 attendees.
 - IVCFP staff and student representatives from all regions will be fully subsidized registration and transportation.
 - Full registration subsidy to former NDs and GenSecs
 - Partial subsidy will be offered to retired IVCFP staff, alumni in ministry (domestic and international)

Proposed Strategic Plan 2019-2024

Executive Summary

Balikatan ng mg Kristiano, Inc. (Balikatan) was founded in 1984 primarily to prayerfully and financially support the InterVarsity Christian Fellowship movement in the Philippines (IVCFP). Balikatan, with IVCFP alumni in the USA and Canada forming its core membership, has been a critical and steady support base for IVCFP for the past 35 years. With a financially stable IVCFP and more Balikatan members transitioning to retirement, the next 35 years may pose different challenges for Balikatan.

Proposed Strategic Plan 2019-2024

In its strategic objectives, Balikpapan will be shifting more weight in nurturing its membership and supporting IVCFP alumni-in-ministry (AIM), even as it continues to help IVCFP become financially viable in the years to come. Balikpapan will commit to:

- Nurture its current and previous members and seek out and connect with other IVCFP alumni who have migrated to the USA and Canada.

Proposed Strategic Plan 2019-2024

- Proactively involve in the growth of established local fellowship groups and facilitate in the start-up of new ones.
- Increase its focus on AIMs through more grants and facilitation of gifts and support remittances.
- Strengthen stakeholders' trust in Balikatan's financial integrity by having its financial statements reviewed by an independent accountant and its policies and procedures aligned with the standards of the Evangelical Council for Financial Accountability (ECFA).

Proposed Strategic Plan 2019-2024

- The development of the 2019-2024 strategic plan required a review of the existing vision and mission statements.
- This resulted in a proposed Vision and Mission Statements for Balikpapan
- A copy of the proposed Vision and Mission Statements, including the detailed strategic plan will be forwarded to key fellowship groups for feedback.

Proposed Vision Statement

Vision

A vibrant and effective Intervarsity Christian Fellowship ministry in the Philippines and worldwide through IVCFP alumni and friends.

Proposed Mission Statement

Mission Statement

To meaningfully engage its members and friends towards a thriving collaboration of support for Balikpapan, IVCFP and IVCFP Alumni-In-Ministry.

Proposed Balikpapan Values

Values

- a. Dependence on the *Sovereignty of God*
- b. Zeal for *God's Honor and Glory*
- c. Allegiance to the *Bible as authority* and guide
- d. Adherence to *Integrity and Accountability*
- e. Devotion to *Compassion and Generosity*
- f. Commitment to *Unity and Belongingness*