

## **UEM WORKERS AND VOLUNTEERS STRENGTHENING PARTNERSHIP THROUGH EMPLOYMENT AND VOLUNTEER PROGRAMS**

As an organization working in 3 continents, the UEM strengthens its mission work and is continuously addressing the needs of its partners through the placement of workers and of youth volunteers to live and work in various partner churches and their institutions in Asia, Africa and Germany. Currently, there is 1 worker from the Philippines based in Wuppertal, Germany: Mrs. Priscilla Pascua – Quezon (UCCP Batangas) as Intercultural Educator; Ms. Joy Veloso (UCCP Davao) who has been the English Teacher for Gereja Kristen Injili di Tanah Papua in Papua (GKI – TP), Papua, Indonesia for the past 3 years; Mrs. Raquel Lipata (UCCP Cavite) as a short – term English teacher from October 2015 – March 2016 and is now on her second term, this time as a long term worker to Gereja Kristen Jawi Wetan (GKJW) in Malang, Indonesia. Recently, Karina Marie Palaruan (UCCP Baguio), was placed as a short - term English teacher from April – September 2016 for Gereja Kristen Injili di Tanah Papua (GKI – TP) West Papua, Indonesia. She is currently Communications Officer at the UCCP National Secretariat.

From August 2015 – August 2016, Kris A. Aquino (UCCP Baguio), was placed as a volunteer for the South – South Volunteer Program, a program wherein UEM reaches out to young people to empower them in a diverse and globalized society. She was placed in Padangsidempuan, Indonesia for Gereja Kristen Protestan Angkola (GKPA). At the same time, volunteers from Germany were hosted by UCCP for the North – South Volunteer Program. The North – South Volunteer Program enables volunteers to work in different areas such as education, health and street children projects. It gives them the experience of working in a Christian environment and contribute their skills. Jenaba Samura was placed in National Heroes Institute & UCCP Task Force Haiyan Monitoring and Evaluation in Leyte and Flora Von Mikulicz Radecki, who was placed in Visayas Community Medical Center (VCMC) Cebu.



*Kris A. Aquino with Mr. and Mrs. Romulus Lumbantoruan*



*From right: Rev. Adolv Marpaung, Kris A. Aquino, Rev. Togar Simatupang, Rev. Ramos Simanjuntak*



*GKI – TP West Papua, Indonesia Treasurer Bapak Markus Parinussa, Personnel Secretary Rev. Sarwon, Co-worker Karina Palaruan, Synod Chairman Rev. Alberth Yoku, Klasis Sorong Chairman Rev. Andy Mofu, Education Secretary Rev. Yohanis Sattu*



*Last row:  
Teacher –  
Trainees*

*Front row  
from left: Rev.  
Ishak  
Kwaktolo, Rev.  
Eliezer  
Sarwom,  
Karina, Rev.  
Yohanis Sattu,  
Elder, Ibu  
Loretta, Rev.  
Andrikus Mofu*



*With the youth of GKI – TP Ruth Lidya, donning their traditional Papuan garb during a ceremony.*



*Jenaba Samura and Flora Von Mikulicz Radecki together with the National Heroes Institute Administrator Ms. Doebert Moriles in one of the churches in East Visayas Area.*



*UEM Co-Worker Ms. Raquel Lipata (4<sup>th</sup> from Left) with the UEM Executive Secretary for Asia, Ms. Sonia Parera-Hummel and her English students in GKJW-Malang*



*UEM Co-Worker Ms. Joy G. Veloso in a lecture in Sentani.  
She is our co-worker in GKI-TP in Jayapura, Papua*