



# Feb-March Update

Dear Bethel Friend,

The long waiting time to move back into our renovated building, the changing moving dates since the end of December 2018 to the end of February, and still not moving in in the second week of March, we are restless! Since we moved our telephones and internet services from our temporary office at Dynamic Life to the Bethel building at the beginning of February (they are needed for inspections), we are not able to function properly. Our communication has been interrupted and it has been difficult for us. Please keep us in your prayers as our patience is tested and we need to move back soon to meet the needs that are existing in our community. Thank you for your recent donation to the Bethel ministry and your patience with us. We cannot wait to move back to our renovated building.



Some of our senior program participants could not be stopped by the snow and the bitter cold weather in Kansas City as they came down to take a tour of our building a couple of weeks ago. Their tour of the building was a great encouragement to us. They were like little kids and were so excited to see the improvements in our building. They clapped their hands seeing the improvements in the women's restrooms as the old one was very small. Seeing the renovated kitchen and the new equipments, Juventina said, ***"I want to come back and work here again. Why didn't we do all these while I was here?"*** She worked with our seniors when I first started working at Bethel. She retired six years ago as she is close to being 90. She loves Bethel and is participating in our senior program regularly. ***"Bethel is my second home and I cannot wait for us to move back to Bethel"*** she added.



The Bethel board, my staff and I cannot thank you enough for your continued prayers and financial support of our ministry. We are committed to continuing the mission of Bethel - ***"To offer a renewed sense of Hope by providing material, educational, social, and spiritual resources that help people bridge ethnic and economic boundaries to achieve self-sufficiency."*** We offer hope to the immigrants, struggling families and individuals, and at-risk youth by showing them the love of God through our programs and services. On April 11th, Bethel ministry will celebrate 108 years of working with our community. Thank you once again for your partnership in this wonderful ministry.

May God bless you abundantly for your partnership in offering hope to our community.

Rev. Mang Sonna, Executive Director