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In this year's bulletin, we celebrate hope. We remember that Jesus Christ came so that we may have hope. He is our Hope. And as Jesus is the Light of the world (John 8:12), we are called to shine His Light of hope to the millions of people around us who are in need. To the many who live in the darkness of their suffering and pain, we offer Jesus Christ as healing and freedom. By God's grace and through your prayers and support, God is Able has been an instrument for God – shining the Light of Christ to persons affected by disability (PADs) all over.

Gift of Mobility: Hope is on the Move



In God is Able, we believe that shining the Hope of Christ to PADs begins with a meaningful and helpful act of love. Through our Gift of Mobility program, we have distributed hundreds of wheelchairs, from our partner *Joni and Friends*, throughout the country. This year, both faithful and new partners have presented us opportunities for Gift of Mobility. From nearby areas like Marikina, Pasig and Cainta to areas in our expanding ministry frontier like La Union and Batangas, PADs are blessed with quality and appropriately fit wheelchairs and then with Word and Love of God which gives true and lasting hope. We celebrate this year our largest distribution ever, held in Batangas with 48 wheelchairs with our new church partners and to close the year, our partner in Antipolo has arranged batches of distribution for about 30 recipients. This 2020, we look forward to building new church partnerships through which more wheelchairs, crutches and other disability equipment may be given as instruments of Hope. This will become part of a disability ministry program for partners that we are developing and will pilot next year. If you are part of a local church or would like for us to meet your pastor and discuss disability ministry, we encourage you to reach us via 09173500211. We look forward to sharing our Hope and our joy with you.

GoDisable On Air: Sharing Hope Beyond Boundaries



As Jesus Christ commissioned His disciples to make Him known, we are to declare Jesus as the Hope of the world. God is Able has been blessed to have free-to-air programming on 702 DZAS AM radio, GCTV on television and on Facebook. This year we have featured a variety of persons, families, practitioners, organizations and church partners all united by their experience with disability. They came from different walks of life, different countries and different encounters with the many forms of disability. More than just providing information and public service, we aim to have honest and meaningful conversations. Through these conversations, we share God's encouragement and Hope for PADs. Over the year, our audience has been consistently growing with our social media viewership and engagement being the strongest area. Our show GoDisable, now airing on Saturdays 4-5PM on 702 DZAS, has been one of the more viewed shows online and our Facebook page has increased in reach with now over 3,400 following our posts, media and other content. We celebrate our guests, listeners, viewers and those who engage with us through various media. This 2020, we look to thematize our media content and improve on our programming. We invite each of us to refer possible guests and resources and to promote our show and page to PADs you know. Together, let us bring God's Hope beyond borders on air and in the age of social media.

God is Able Special Events: Making a Big Impact for Hope



Through special events with the aim of giving Hope, God is Able both advocates for PADs and provides platforms for the Church to meet and engage them. By God's grace, God is Able was able to successfully hold its annual Family Camp last May at the Mt. Makiling Re-creation Center in Batangas and the Disability Conference last August at Victory Christian Fellowship - Forum in Mandaluyong City. As in the previous years, around 30 families from different areas and walks of life were blessed with the time of rest, encouragement and fellowship at the Family Camp. Professor Tina Co from the Asian Theological Seminary facilitated the sessions. There were also fun activities including an evening talent show and the

family portrait picture-taking. Despite the hard rains, hundreds made their way to our Disability Conference where they were blessed with songs, testimonies and messages and God's encouragement through our special guest – the aerialist and acrobat with no legs, Jen Bricker. We celebrate our hardworking and dedicated volunteers. We also celebrate churches and individuals who sponsored families for the Family Camp and participants in the Disability Conference. We look forward to another special year of offering special events this 2020. We will have another Family Camp in Batangas this May. Our Disability Ministry will be composed of two events – the conference and a worship night where our PAD loved ones will worship God together with the rest of the body of Christ. And for the first time, God is Able will pilot a Pastors and Workers Conference for pastors and church leaders to learn about disability ministry and come together for our PADs this coming March. Stay tuned via our Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/GodIsAbleIntl>) for upcoming details on these.

Because God is Able, We Are Able: Hope Shines Brighter, When We Come Together



When the body of Christ comes together, the message of Hope becomes more evident and reaches out to more and more PADs. Throughout the year, God is Able has advocated for PADs and disability ministry as we served with like-minded groups. This year, God is Able was one of the lead organizations in hosting the World Cerebral Palsy Day at the Quezon City Hall. We led the families in a time of worship, shared a word of encouragement, provided wisdom through a talk and even blessed the children with an interactive story-telling session courtesy of our next generation volunteers. We celebrate the many hearts and hands we introduced to the love of God through the gospel of Jesus Christ. God is Able also shared encouragement and wisdom in a series of talks conducted in Christ's Commission Fellowship in partnership with the Unique ministry. And we were able to present our advocacy and encourage various groups as we partook in a dialogue during the World Disability Day. We invite parachurch organizations, groups or ministries within churches and like-minded organizations and individuals to partner with us as we come together and find potential areas of collaboration to improve the well-being of PADs we love.

Partner with God is Able!

There is always something we can do to bring Hope to persons affected by disability (PADs). With God is Able, we invite you to consider the following ways you can come alongside us as we come alongside PADs.

1. **Pray** for God is Able – its leaders, workers, volunteers and partners. Pray for the PADs God has entrusted us.
2. **Provide** for God is Able's daily needs, programs and events through your financial blessing. You may also sponsor families to our Family Camp. For details on how you can give to us, please contact 09173500211.
3. **Promote** God is Able by encouraging your church or organization to partner with us for our PADs. For questions and opportunities, reach us via 09173500211.

Thank you! We look forward to a Hope-filled new year with you. God bless you!