



Elder Ted Wilson waves to the anticipating crowd who are thrilled to meet and greet the GC President. He and his wife Nancy flew from Davao City to MVC via a helicopter.

From city to country, streetlight to starlight

Keremkleroo Jym L. Adil

It was a moment when people stood still as the helicopter hovered. People crowded to meet and greet the General Conference President, Elder Ted Wilson with cameras, capturing the moment. The team had the privilege to take some of his time to answer a few questions.

Q: How was your trip?

A: *We had a marvelous trip! I mean, this is a very unusual way to fly by helicopter from Davao. But the steering was exceptional. Beautiful plantations, the landscape is so orderly and so well done. You can see that God is blessing this area in a wonderful way as we approach through the mountains and through the valleys to come over the ridge, and then to see Mountain View College. What a spectacular and thrilling thing! And all the tents that we see and the thousands of people who are going to be convening here for this great Sabbath School and Personal Ministries Convention, so it's just a great privilege to be here.*


Q: Are you ready to meet the 144,000 people who came to see you?

A: *That will absolutely be thrilling, and by God's grace we will all be in heaven someday!*

Q: Is this your first time to meet the largest delegation of the Division?

A: *If we'll have that number of people, it certainly will be!*

Q: What are your thoughts in this occasion?

A: *Well it's a marvelous thing to be able to come here and to participate in this Division-wide meeting! We just come from Hope Manila 2014: iCare with tremendous blessings from God in reaching the people of the Metro Manila area with many sites across the metropolitan area. I had the privilege preaching in the Philippine International Convention Center (PICC), and yesterday we had a marvelous time together in Cuneta Astrodome with thousands of people there. People even seated behind the screen, just thousands of people. We had baptism last Sabbath with over one thousand people, and the Sabbath before (May 10) another baptism of over a thousand people (1,075). So we just praise God for the way he's focusing on the big cities and the metropolitan areas. And then we contrast that with this beautiful rural setting where our campuses and our educational institutions should be. So you put together and the Mountain View College and many places like these can be a blessing to reaching the people in the cities* 

EDITOR'S EPIPHANY

"I have been deeply impressed by scenes that have recently passed before me in the night season. There seemed to be a great movement -- a work of revival -- going forward in many places. Our people were moving into line, responding to God's call." Testimonies to Ministers, p. 515


This is an excerpt from Ellen G. White's first message to the General Conference Session in 1913. In the past century, God's chosen people was prophesied to be having revival and reformation. It's truly remarkable to witness another fulfillment of this. To take part of this historic event, dubbed as "Revival and the Christian Life" is a refreshing and renewing experience!

Remnant Review was prayerfully chosen as the significant name of the newsletter, bringing you the fresh updates of this congress in a daily basis. This is to herald the wonderful workings of the Lord for His chosen people. This is to exemplify the SDA Christian's progress in lifestyle and ministry for the glory of our soon-coming Savior and King!

May the Holy Spirit imbue us with power and transform us. Let's continue pressing on towards the mark of our high calling! Let's strive to be among the 144,000! Maranatha!

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LEADER'S PERSPECTIVE

"We are standing at a great juncture in life and earth's history. Jesus is coming soon. The prophecies of Matthew, Daniel and Revelation are being fulfilled before our very eyes. God is calling for a renewed revival and reformation – not one imposed by the General Conference, or the Southern Asia-Pacific Division – but imposed by the power of the Holy Spirit." Elder Ted N. C. Wilson, General Conference President 

SOJOURNERS' SIGNIFICANT EXPERIENCES

Nemfa G. Pitogo

Sabbath School Congress has officially started! Delegates from different walks of life and different corners of SSD have come to witness God's providences for revival and reformation. Since some of the guests haven't arrived yet. Here are the feedbacks gathered from Luzon delegates:

Pastor Felipe Somos, a retired pastor and a delegate from Southern Luzon Mission said that his trip was tiring yet very thrilling. Meanwhile, Pastor Edgardo Pranche, Sabbath School Director of same mission stated: "Masaya ang trip namin papunta dito!"

They both expect nothing more but to bring with them back in Luzon the spiritual messages that they would be hearing, to strengthen their faith, and to share it to their fellow brethren. The delegates have been very much eager to hear the spiritual messages from our guest speakers.

Indeed, this event is a great opportunity to be revived and to be closer to our Christ Jesus through Sabbath School and Personal Ministries.



Balloons of rainbow hues are about to be released. This significant part of the parade showcases gratitude for the Blessed Hope that uplifts everyone's spirit.

MVC: A HAVEN ON A HILLTOP

Shane Carl C. Montefalcon
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As the delegates started arriving today for the congress, the peaceful campus of Mountain View College have been occupied and inhabited by unfamiliar faces from different missions and conferences of Southern-Asia Pacific Division (SSD). The vast land of MVC will be crowded by an expected 144,000 delegates.

People have set up their tents in their respective assigned camping sites at the back of the Alumni Church, the Reforestation area, the Centennial Park, the field in front of the Pioneers' Hall, and all around the main campus vicinity of MVC. The college and academy classrooms and dormitories are occupied especially by the delegates from outside the country. Business stalls are situated in front of Alumni Church and Science Building, in front and at the back of the Onyx Hall, in front of the Strahle Memorial Clinic/Hospital, the Nursing Building and round about the newly-



Full-packed forward truck has entered the portals of MVC, one of the numerous transporters of more than a hundred delegates.

cemented roads.


The clean and lush surroundings, the cool climate in spite the scorching summer give a soothing sensation. The friendly, sunshiny and positive disposition seen and felt around, surely savor the SSD-wide Sabbath School Congress as an exquisite experience! 

OF BALLOONS AND BANNERS

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The SSD-wide Sabbath School Congress has begun! The food stalls all around the campus, the delegates setting their tents up, the coordinators preparing everything for the programs, the media production staff roaming to cover the event, the stage groomed beautifully for worship — everyone has become a tool for the success of this spiritual event. And by God's grace, everyone's efforts will not be in vain.

The ceremony started with the parade of all 11 missions and conferences from Southern Asia-Pacific Division. The bands with their colorful outfits, and the crowd of delegates with different flags and skin colors, marched around the astonishing Mountain View College campus. The parade ended at the Administration Building grounds with the flags, unique as their motherland, mounted to the poles.


With the Philippine National Anthem sung and the invocation offered, the program proper began. It was followed by cordial addresses from the local government officials of Valencia City and MVC. The SSD President, Alberto C. Gulfan, Jr. was introduced, and he delivered his message clearly, empowered by the Holy Spirit. It's attested in the audience's beaming faces that they have fully understood the true meaning of this gathering—to learn more about the Revival and the Christian Life. The balloons ascended the heavens, adorning the skies, like how we anticipate the redeemed and the remnants to ascend in that appointed time. 

DELEGATES ARRIVE WITH HIGH HOPES TO BE REVIVED

Valencia – SSD-wide Sabbath School Congress with the theme: "Revival and the Christian Life" jumpstarted with the arrival of delegates coming from different parts of Southern-Asia Pacific Division. The congress would be held on May 18-24, 2014, at Mountain View College.

As of noontime, roughly 8,000 delegates have come out of the expected 144,000. Though some arrived beforehand the registration date, most delegates have just arrived today. Some have registered ahead through their specific missions and conferences. Other delegates have registered onsite.

Traffic enforcers, Adventist Messenger Rescue Association (AMRA) and registration personnel commented that the arrival of delegates was smooth since the people coming from different places are cooperative and abiding with the laws and regulations implemented. Aside from the representatives from countries within SSD, namely: Philippines, Bangladesh, Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, Pakistan, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Timor Leste and Vietnam, delegates from other nations are also expected.

Meanwhile, tents were set-up within the respective campsites of missions and conferences. International delegates have secured their accommodation in the dormitories and guest houses. MVC would be a home away from home for the entire week. 

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