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### Leadership seminar-retreat held for Region 7 BJMP officers

A leadership seminar-retreat for jail wardens and officers of the Bureau of Jail Management and Penology (BJMP) for region 7 was held on August 14 and 15. The event coincided with the week-long 17<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations of BJMP region 7.



*[A photo of the seminar participants with Dr. Taniajura*

Dr. Rey Taniajura, chairman of the National Prison Ministries Philippines conducted the seminar-retreat which was the fourth of its kind for BJMP officers. From the time the first leadership seminar-retreat was conducted for BJMP officers of the national headquarters and all regional directors of the bureau in January, already three BJMP regional offices have hosted similar events.

These are region 5 in Bicol and the national capital region in March and region 7 in August. Jail Chief Superintendent Doris Dorigo opened the seminar-retreat by welcoming some 40 participants and Dr. Taniajura. Certificates of participation were given to each participant at the end of the seminar while Dr. Taniajura was given a certificate of appreciation.



*[Dr. Taniajura receiving a certificate of appreciation]*

Director Rosendo Dial, chief of the BJMP was the guest of honor and speaker



on Saturday, August 16, the day of the anniversary celebration. While in the area, Director Dial also visited BJMP's jail facilities and presided over the inauguration of the female dormitory of Toledo City Jail.

### **NPMP leaders met with ANM SEA director**

National Prison Ministries Philippines (NPMP) executive director, Ms. Tess Uadan, and its chairman, Dr. Rey Taniajura, met with Mr. Jonathan Cortes of Asia Native Missions (ANM) on August 18. Mr. Cortes who is ANM's Southeast Asia director is visiting the Philippines from Singapore where he is based to meet with some of his networks in ministry. He also met with Ms. Uadan and Dr. Taniajura on behalf of Mr. Timothy Kho of Prison Fellowship International to discuss how NPMP's ministry can be enhanced.



*[Mr. Cortes, extreme right, with Tess, to his right and Dr. and Mrs. Taniajura]*

Among some of the topics discussed with Mr. Cortes are the possibility of introducing restorative justice as a subject in law schools, the publishing and printing of some

restorative justice books in the Philippines, and enhancing the networking potential of NPMP.

While in the Philippines, Mr. Cortes has also met with Rudy Diamante, executive secretary of the Episcopal Commission on Prison Pastoral Care of the Catholic Bishops Conference of the Philippines and some contacts at the Silliman University in Dumaguete City.

### ***NPMP'S VISION AND MISSION STATEMENTS***

#### **OUR VISION**

**We see ourselves engaged in restoring peoples and communities in conflict beyond crime and punishment.**

#### **OUR MISSION**

**To promote among and equip stakeholders in crime on biblical restoration.**

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