

FEAST NOVOTEL YEAR 1 *The Discipleship Continues*

THE Light of Jesus Family began with discipleship mission on September 9, 1980, holding our first prayer meeting at #56 Chicago St, Cubao, Quezon City at the garage of the house of our founder, Bro. Bo Sanchez, with his parents, Bro. Gene and Sis. Pilar, and his five sisters.

By God's Amazing Grace, the Light of Jesus began to flourish so that

the LOJ prayer meeting was transferred to an apartment complex at the nearby #60 Chicago St. From there, LOJ held prayer meetings in various venues, such as a multipurpose gym and a couple of basketball courts.

Then, by God's blessing, Bro. Bo began transforming the LOJ prayer meeting into The Feast, our Sunday prayer gathering with Holy Mass, lively worship, and series



of talks on practical Christian Living. The Feast began as a monthly gathering on August 3, 1997, at the theater of Camp Aguinaldo, site of the general headquarters of the Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP) located on Epifanio de los Santos Highway (EDSA) corner Serrano St., Cubao, Quezon City. *Above*, Bro. Bo leading Feast Camp Aguinaldo.

We were in Camp Aguinaldo because some of our members or their relatives lived there. So, we were there amid soldiers meant to fight battles to defend the sovereignty of our nation. But ours was a different battle to fight.

As our history has it, the Light of Jesus Family exists in obedience to the mandate of Jesus Christ before He ascended to Heaven to his apostles and yes, to us:

Go into all the world and preach the Good News to everyone. --Mark 16:15 Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and the Holy Spirit. --Matthew 28:19

Discipleship in a Hotel

The group that held meetings in the Sanchez garage and the apartment complex on Chicago St. followed Bro. Bo to Camp Aguinaldo.

In time, the Camp Aguinaldo Feast transferred to the Valle Verde Country Club in Pasig City, first holding prayer meetings twice a month, and then regularly, once a week.

Then, members, coming from various walks of life, were grouped into "families," composed of 30 to 50 members, and named Love, Peace, Joy, Strength, Faith, and Glory—all forming prayer groups throughout the country.

The rest of the 1990s, the Light of Jesus Community so expanded, that it was organized into regions: Mega Manila, Provincial, and International regions. Each region is composed of districts.

The Mega Manila Region includes the Feast Ortigas District (FOD) consisting of the Galleria and Greenhills Feast groups along with Feast Valle Verde which joined FOD in 2019, just before the Coronavirus Disease (COVID) Pandemic.



Feast Novotel

In April 2022, the Feast Ortigas District began

to hold its gathering at the Hotel Novotel at the Araneta City, Cubao.

With the inclusion of The Feast in the Bureau of Soils and Water Management early that year, this combined group became the Feast Novotel.



Bro. Jonathan "J" Yogawin Feast Ortigas District Builder (1st/2nd Session)



Feast Novotel Builders, *from left:* Bro. Bimbo Leonardo – 1st Session (9:30 am) Bro. JPaul Hernandez – 2nd Session (11:30 am) Bro. Obet Cabrillas – 3rd Session (2:00 pm) Bro. Mike Ybiernas – 3rd Session (2:00 pm)

Happy Anniversary! FEAST NOVOTEL YEAR 1! APRIL 23, 2023



WE GIVE THANKS! Fr. Paolo Asprer celebrates Thanksgiving Mass.



WE REJOICE! Joyful, joyful Feast with Bro. Jonathan "J" Yogawin on the lead.

WE PRAY! Our favorite prayer at The Feast...







WE LISTEN! Bro. Bimbo Leonardo on Greater Heights ...



... and WE FEAST!





Taho!



Cotton Candy!

Cakes!



Ice Cream!



OUR MISSION

Following the mandate of our Lord Jesus Christ, our mission is to go spread the Gospel, and make disciples.

OUR VISION

Our vision is to make one million disciples all over the world.

ONE BIG FAMILY



Yes, from one small family, we have grown into the big Light of Jesus Family.

We are big, not only in number. What makes us big is God's big love for us.

What make us big is our big love for God and for one another. God's love for us and our love for Him and for one another—in one combination, is actually the Light which we now share to as many persons as we can reach.



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