#### **Church Growth**

Santa Cruz Church of Christ is growing. Since 2014, there have been 43 baptisms.











# Jalajala Church of Christ Started

On March 24, 2016, Santa Cruz COC traveled to Jalajala, Rizal, a town which is around 40 miles from Santa Cruz. A local church was established there, brought about by the baptism of five believers living there. Santa Cruz COC plans to visit and have fellowship with them every last Sunday of the month.







## Bible Study in Magdalena, Opened

Magdalena is the town where Bro. Joey's family resides. On March 31, 2016, Santa Cruz COC started a weekly Bible study at the back of Bro. Joey's compound. Twelve workers from Santa Cruz COC supported this Bible study. Nine attendees came from the place of Bro. Joey.



#### **Bible Class at Elementary School**

Once a week, Bro. Elymar teaches a Bible class at the school where Sis. Nilds teaches. He encourages the students to do Bible memorization by giving them certificates. Elymar has baptized 3 of Sis. Nilds' students.









#### **Bible Class Teachers**

Santa Cruz COC is so blessed to have Randy and Nilds, and their two children, Icy and Josiah, helping with the work of the Lord. Nilds is an elementary school teacher, who just recently received her doctorate degree.



Joey and Len are also school teachers, who are a blessing to the work.



The church is blessed with Sis. Lordeliza who is also a teacher.









The women take turns teaching Sunday school in Elymar's Nipa Hut.





## Youth at Santa Cruz COC

We are so proud of the youth at Santa Cruz COC for their desire to learn God's word, to help the needy and teach the gospel to others. Bro. Elymar is doing a great job training them to serve the Lord.





#### **Operation Blessing**

In December 2016, the youth played a very active role working with "Operation Blessing," which was a Christian outreach to help needy children and their families, and to teach them about God's love . Tanner Church of Christ members donated to this.which was a great help.









# After the gift-giving, was the Bible teaching.







# **Training of Preachers**

Bro. Elymar is helping to train Bro. Joey and Bro. Randy to preach the gospel, and further grow the church in the Philippines

