

Report to ACWC from Ecumenical Church Women United of the Philippines

Taking off from the November ECWUP Annual assembly where new officers were Elected for 2020 to 2022, the induction of the Execom, Chairpersons and Co-chairpersons were inducted by the newly installed Bishop Rex RB Reyes. Held at the Episcopal Diocese of Central Philippines, January 11,2020 at Novaliches, Quezon City.



Jan18-25

Started the year with the Week of Prayer, for Christian Unity, hosted by the National Council of Churches in the Philippines (NCCCP) and the Catholic Bishops Conference (CBCP) in which Ecumenical Church Women United of the Philippines has fully participated in the whole week activity. With the theme “They showed us unusual kindness” Acts 28:2.





Philippines being surrounded with Volcanoes, Taal Volcano located in Batangas, erupted causing destruction to lives and property. There was displacement of families near and surrounding areas of the volcano. Women of Salvation Army Ministry, Women of the Iglesia Unida Ekyumenical, Women of the Philippine Independent Church and Episcopal Church Women requested 10 thousand each from the Social Concerns of ECWUP to help them in their mission to their affected denominational communities.

February 14, 2020

One Billion Rising (OBR), Annual Ecumenical Liturgy gathering. Let us come together, sing and dance in Solidarity with our sisters to collectively resist violence

against women. This was held at the Cathedral compound of the Iglesia Filipina Independiente at Taft, Manila.



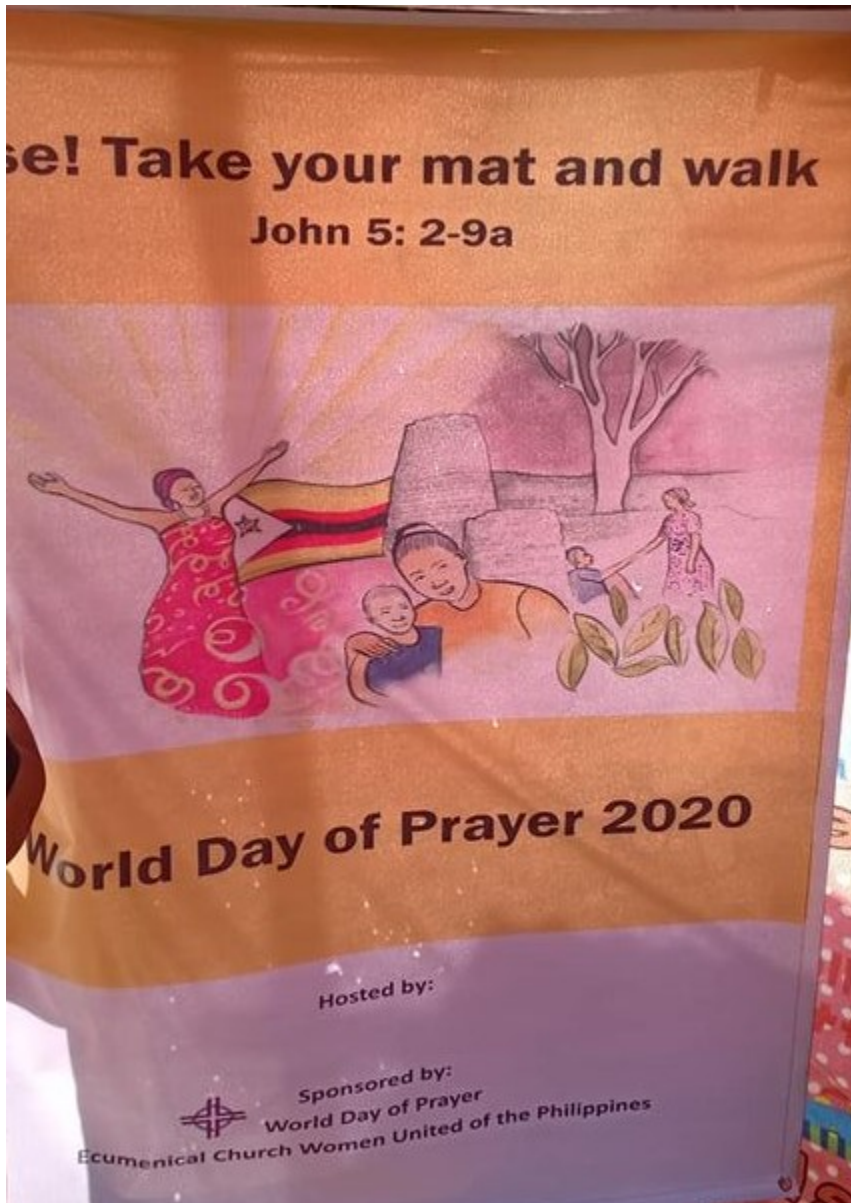
February 21-22, 2020

Annual Lovewalk where all women denomination representatives of ECWUP come together (place outside Metro Manila) for worship, solidarity and bonding with local churchwomen of the place. The Women walked going to Capas Memorial, where the obelisk was located (symbolism of peace, never again to war). This day also served as jump off start for the World Day of Prayer Celebration the following day. We have chosen to celebrate with the Indigenous Aeta Community of Ye Yong. After the service we had snacks of “lugaw” (gelatinous rice boiled with chicken) with the whole community. The night before we left the local women of the member denominations gathered for introduction/ knowing more about ECWUP, Fellowship of the Least Coin and Asian Church Womens Conference (ACWC).



March 6, 2020

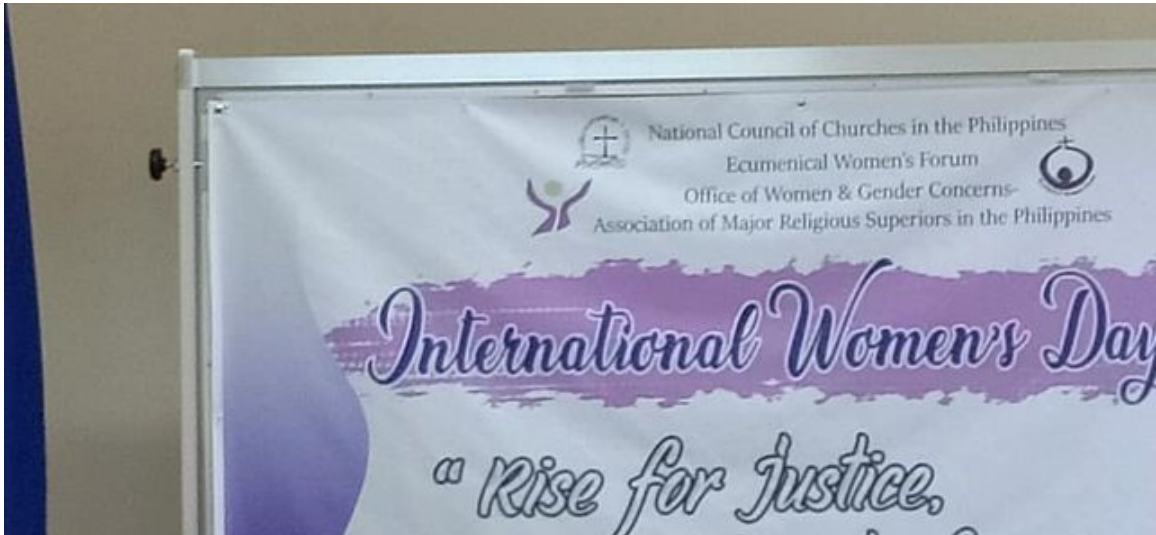
World Day of Prayer for Manila Area was hosted by Women of the Salvation Army Ministry, at the Manila Central Corps . This was fully attended by all denominations within Manila and officers of ECWUP. With the theme “Rise! Take Your Mat and Walk. (John 5:2-9a).





March 7, 2020

Celebration of The International Womens Day, hosted by NCCP Womens Committee and Association of Major Religious Superiors in the Philippines. Held at St Scholastica's College, Malate Manila with ECWUP in full attendance. Theme "Rise for Justice, Unite for Peace"





March 20, 2020

The Philippines was placed in lock-down, Enhanced Community Quarantine (ECQ) due to Covid 19 pandemic. All activities, meetings, conferences and all planned activities that had something to do with any gathering was at stand still. April and May we were all advised to stay at home as front liners in hospitals battled the virus with news of death, pain, misery, anxiety and closure of businesses. Nobody and no government was ever ready for the onslaught of the virus as they tried their best to contain the further spread of the virus and to live with it.

May 15, 2020

This being the case ECWUP in cooperation with NCCP Womens Committee launched its first webinar, 'Managing Stress and Anxiety during Covid 19' the speaker was Dr Reggie Pamugas. Due to the need this was followed by member National Women Denominations giving webinars on mental health to their members. Moreover we created on Facebook 'ECWUP BIBLE STUDY during ECQ' and daily devotions was also given a leeway of fellowship with one another. A 'KUMUSTAHAN' page was created for women to express how they were feeling during the quarantine, their stories and response to their situation. Somewhat it made us connected and care for each.

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YOU ARE INVITED!
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Ecumenical Church Women United in the Philippines (ECWUP)
in partnership with
National Council of Churches in the Philippines (NCCP)

A WEBINAR ON
MANAGING STRESS AND ANXIETY
Amid Covid 19 Pandemic

MAY 15, 2020 | 4PM-5:30PM

Resource Speaker: **Dr. Reggie Pamugas**
Health Action for Human Rights

June and July

Poverty, No work with everything at standstill hardship was already felt. As an organization we had to do something for others who were in a most difficult situation. We knew the situation of the Aeta community where we had the Love Walk and World Day of Prayer. We started our campaign ‘ECWUP Lingap (care) 2020’ which means ‘Kandep’ (Aeta dialect, care) to generate enough funds from individual members of the National Women Denominations to provide food packs for 300 families of the Aeta community in Capas Tarlac.

August 8, 2020 we were able to distribute the food packs thru our coordinators in the area. DS Elmer Victoria the coordinator is an Aeta himself and was able to include additional 36 more families in nearby Aeta Tambo Community. This are the families who are endangered of being evicted due to the expansion of the military camp.

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LINGAP 2020

RELIEF MISSION IN SUPPORT TO THE AETA COMMUNITY IN CAPAS TARLAC



WHOEVER IS KIND
TO THE POOR
LEND TO THE LORD,
AND HE WILL REWARD
THEM FOR WHAT
THEY HAVE DONE.

(Proverbs 19:17)







To God be The Glory!

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