

Libsong Elementary School Donation

(10 Complete WITS Systems + Accessories + 40 Solar Lights)

Lingayen, Pangasinan

December 16th, 2016



The weather was good at Clark. We readied Marine 7 for takeoff on time at 0200 Zulu.



The heavy load of computers, projectors and solar lights are properly set to be within weight and balance calculations



Now the question is, where are we going to sit??



Arrived 10:52 AM at Lingayen airstrip, one of our old B-17 bomber backup fields from WWII. Principal Cheryl DeGuzman and some of her teachers met us to insure I was properly adorned with the obligatory seashell-and-flower necklace, a tradition that predates Christianity in the Philippines to identify important guests who come into the community with friendly intent.



The school band and flag-bearers ushered us through the gates



With over 1100 students and 36 classrooms, Libsong is one of the larger schools in the region.



Invocation before the taking the stage to demonstrate the computers, projectors and solar lights.



"Master English to Master the Internet, so you can Master your Future" is the central message.



The Acer Switch 10 Laptop/Tablet is perfect for 4-6 grade instruction applications, as it allows both the teachers and students to interact together at the front of the classroom.



The UNIC Uc46 wireless projector is plug-and-play, easily installed, and displays hi-res visibility in any ambient light.



The HPSF Solar Lights provide illumination inside homes of poorer students where electricity either isn't available or sporadic, as well as after typhoons.



Ms. DeGuzman assigned Solar Lights to her most less-fortunate students



Presenting the computers and projectors to the teachers



Christmas came early for the hard-working folks at Libsong Elementary this year.

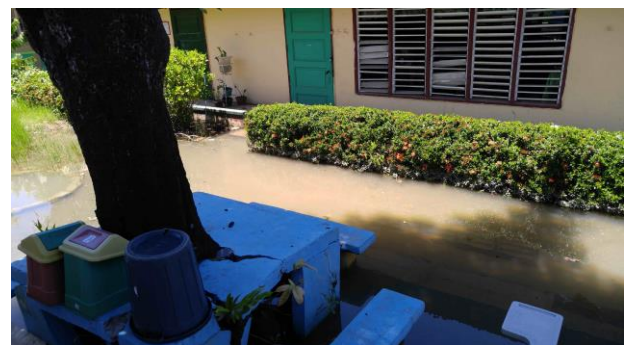


This brand new, state-of-the-art technology will help jump start the learning processes in the minds of both teachers *and* students.



Mission completed, it's now time to enjoy lunch inside the Principal's office, where a huge tray of the world famous Pangasinan Bangus awaits 😊

Footnote: In case anyone was wondering why I chose to move this school up on the list of recipients, below are some pics I took in September of this year during a recon trip.



In view of the fact that previous requests from the Principal and teachers to the local government for repair work had thus far been ignored, my first objective was pushing provincial officials to engineer drainage systems that would alleviate this from happening every rainy season, or even after any thunderstorm. This was accomplished in late October after quite a bit of “cajoling”, shall we say, with the necessary improvements nearly finished by the time I arrived. Now that the kids can actually sit in their classrooms again, without fear of dengue-carrying mosquitos covering them, the teachers can get back to the business of actually educating them.