

International Matching Donor Information Sheet

Thank you for your interest in the Bob Jones Memorial Bible College Building Fund Project. What follows provides more information for those who desire more information about being a **Matching Donor** for BJMBC's January Benefit Concert.

History

In 2010, realizing we will lose our current premises when our 20-year lease at the Gospel Light Baptist Church building expires in 2017, we purchased a 600 square meter lot at 125 Matahimik Street about one kilometer from Gospel Light Baptist Church and in a prime location very accessible to public transportation. (This property has since increased in value by about 65%.)

Our initial plan was to construct the needed four-story building in two phases, each costing about \$500,000 each. Our burden was to see funds raised from both Asia and the USA, so that this would not be viewed as a "purely Western money" thing. With that in mind, we have tried to raise \$250,000 in Asia and \$250,000 from the USA. We currently have almost \$200,000 TOTAL so far, with slightly more than half coming from the USA.

Ongoing work on the building plans has shown us that if we construct the entire building at one time we can probably shave about \$200,000 off of our original cost estimate and finish the entire structure for about \$800,000. With prayerful dependence upon our omnipotent God, we plan to break ground for the building on November 27, 2015 during the celebration of BJMBC's 30th anniversary.---

January Fundraising Concert

In an effort to encourage giving from fundamental believers here in the Philippines—a developing country with somewhat limited resources—we are holding a "benefit" or fundraising concert for the BJMBC Building Fund Project. The central feature of the concert is the Asian premiere of Dan Forrest's *Requiem for the Living*, since it has never been performed before in Asia. The concert will take place at the beautiful 1000-seat Meralco Theater on **January 16, 2015**. God graciously provided a sponsor from another Asian country who has covered the full costs of the concert so that everything that comes in through ticket sales will go directly into the BJMBC Building Fund. The chart below represents the *approximate* number of seats and the price for each.

Number of seats	Ticket Price Per Seat	Estimated Amount Raised (assuming about 90% occupancy)
450 seats (orchestra)	P500	P202,500
210 seats (loge)	P300	P66,700
300 seats (balcony)	P150	P45,000
Total (pesos)		P299,700
Total (USD)		\$6700

In addition, as part of our Philippines concert fund raising, we are promoting what we call **Friends of BJMBC**, who would give above and beyond the actual ticket price and would have their name placed in the Concert Bulletin. **Friends of BJMBC** consists of three tier-levels that look something like this:

"Friend" Level	Donation Amount	"Free" Tickets Received
"Associate" Friends	P5000	2 orchestra seats and 2 balcony tickets (p1300 worth of tickets)
"Bachelor" Friends	P10000	3 orchestra seats & 3 lodge seats (p2400 worth of tickets)
"Master" Friends	P15000	4 of each of the three kinds (p3800 worth of tickets)

If we could raise another \$3,000-5000 from these **Friends of BJMBC**, we could perhaps raise a Philippines **total** of \$10,000-12,000 through this special one-time Benefit Concert.

International Matching Donor Program

In an effort to broaden our fundraising effort through this special concert, we are contacting friends and supporters of BJMBC *outside of the Philippines* and asking them to consider being **Matching Donors** for the January Concert. **Matching Donors** can pledge, by faith, to match a certain percentage of whatever comes in through Philippines ticket sales for the January concert. We will set the ticket sales "maximum cap" for matching donors at \$10,000, so that donors would know the maximum amount to which they would be committing themselves. It would work something like this:

Percentage of Pledge (hypothetical)	Ticket Sales Amount (hypothetical)	Dollar Amount of Pledge to be Donated to BJMBC Building Fund
1%	\$7,000	\$70
5%	\$8,000	\$400
10%	\$10,000 (maximum "cap")	\$1000
40%	\$9,500	\$3800

If you have any questions, feel free to contact Gospel Fellowship Association mission (gfa@gfmissions.org) or Bob Jones Memorial Bible College (bjbiblecollege@gmail.com) for additional information. Any matching donors could submit pledge commitments to either email address above. After the concert takes place in January, we will contact those matching donors who made pledges and let you know the total amount that came in through ticket sales. You could then send in your pledged

donation amount to Gospel Fellowship Association missions for tax-free giving purposes. One hundred percent of what you donate will go the BJMBC Building Fund Project.

Conclusion

Our burden in all of this is not to place undue constraint on anyone. Our goal is to coordinate a “fun way” to raise funds for what we believe is a very important project and one that will directly impact what God is doing for Christ’s sake in Asia into the foreseeable future. Obviously if a donor makes a pledge in good faith and then, come January, circumstances make following through with that pledge impossible, we are not going to hold this over someone’s head as some kind of inviolable promise. This is not a legal pledge but a good faith pledge on the part of likeminded believers who have a sincere interest in what God has been and is doing through the ministry of Bob Jones Memorial Bible College.

Above all, we would covet your prayers that God would give all of us involved willing hearts to give. In the Scriptural accounts of both the building of the Tabernacle and the Temple, the text emphasizes how God made the people’s hearts willing to give (Exodus 25:2; 35:20, 22, 25, 29; I Chron. 29:1-18) and *more than enough* was given. At the end of the day, we want it to be apparent that it is God who, through His willing-hearted people, provided a “permanent home” for BJMBC.

With sincere gratitude,

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