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Sambayanihan® Center, A Place of Love

A Sambayanihan® Center is a place that nurtures love. It serves as a simple "God's temple" where TSPI clients and non-clients are encouraged to partake in activities of worship and fellowship to reflect and celebrate God's goodness. These activities build camaraderie that uplift each other's spirit especially in times of adversity. Everyone in the barangay is welcome to join the Bible study being facilitated by ministry partner volunteers and to hold church-related activities. It is with hope that the clients themselves, and attendees are becoming God's ambassadors to their households and neighbors after witnessing or getting involved in the activities performed in the Sambayanihan® Center. Eventually, as they participate in these activities, they will be led to obey God's commandment: "Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these." – (Mark 12:31)

Sambayanihan® Center: A HUMBLE PLACE OF SERVICE AND LOVE

While the whole country is in a state of social isolation during the pandemic, a spark of hope appeared that steered the spirit of volunteerism among our branch personnel, clients and valued partners in building a humble place of service and love in the community. Thus, the TSPI Sambayanihan® Center was born. It was a vivid revelation of God's presence and message of unity in the midst of uncertainty, "The Lord had promised to be with them. So, the Lord God All-Powerful made everyone eager to work on His temple." – Haggai 1:13-14 (CEV)

Looking forward, the TSPI Sambayanihan® Center, a humble place of service and love, will become a remarkable emblem of a "transformational" movement for TSPI sharing the same goal to glorify God and continually build God's temple in different communities... "The Lord had promised to be with them. So, the Lord God All-Powerful made everyone eager to work on His temple" – Haggai 1:13-14 (CEV)



Sambayanihan® Center, A Humble Place

A Sambayanihan® Center is conveniently located near business outlets of TSPI clients like sari-sari stores in the barangays. It is a simple and tiny structure likened to a gazebo that provides shade and shelter from the rain, essentially serving as an abode for rest. Its open walls exude a welcoming

atmosphere to everyone. This place is offered willingly by a TSPI client who values the importance of a "home" to gather her neighbors in the barangay as a family. It is a place where all are treated as "children of God", promoting equality-regardless of economic status, position and condition in life.



Sambayanihan® Center, A Place of Service

A Sambayanihan® Center with its nearby business outlets became a refuge for many during the pandemic. TSPI clients especially the sari-sari store owners extended their service to the community in supplying basic goods. With the demand for TSPI microentrepreneurs to provide essential needs in a larger scale, it became a marketplace of other business opportunities like digital services (i.e., e-loading and bills payment) and wholesale distribution of products from TSPI's valued partners like Chooks-to-go.

At the time when mobility was greatly restricted, bringing TSPI's programs and services to clients right at their doorstep became the mainstream. A Sambayanihan® Center became an appropriate channel to deliver branch services and activities such as the conduct of new client orientations, loan releases, livelihood trainings, TSPI agent collections and weekly center meetings, among others. TSPI field personnel found a common and safe space where they could meet and serve the clients.



BIBLE VERSE OF
THE MONTH

**Live in harmony
with one another**

Romans 12:16