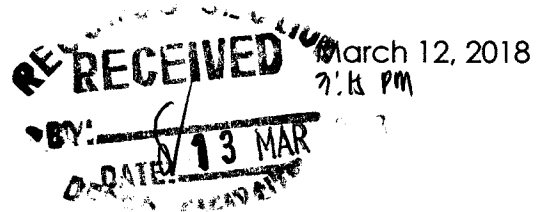




Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
Region VI-Western Visayas
DIVISION OF SAGAY CITY
City of Sagay



DIVISION MEMORANDUM

No. 96 s. 2018

TO: Asst. Schools Division Superintendent
Chief CID & SGOD
PSDSs – District 1-10
Administrative Officer V – Admin Services
Heads of Public Elementary/ Secondary Schools
All Concerned

National Bible Month Celebration

1. Attached is the Regional Advisory No. 046 s. 2018 and Presidential Proclamation No. 124 for the information and guidance of everybody.
2. In support of this activity, all School Heads are hereby instructed to accommodate the representatives of the Gideons International when they visit their respective schools. Please be reminded however that there will be no disruption of classes in the holding of the said activity and shall be scheduled outside of class hours.
3. For wide dissemination.

Mababal
MARSETTE D. SABBALUCA, CESO VI
Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Officer In-Charge
Office of the Schools Division Superintendent



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
REGION VI-WESTERN VISAYAS
Duran Street, Iloilo City




February 27, 2018

REGIONAL ADVISORY

No. 046, s. 2018

To : **Schools Division Superintendents**

FROM : 
VICTOR G. DE GRACIA, JR., Ph.D., CESO V
Schools Division Superintendent
Officer-In-charge
Office of the Assistant Regional Director

SUBJECT : **NATIONAL BIBLE MONTH**

Attached is a letter from Danilo Z. Arceo, Regional Director, R2 of Gideons International in the Philippines, Inc. in support of President Rodrigo Roa Duterte's Presidential Proclamation No. 124 dated January 5, 2017 declaring the month of January of every year as National Bible Month to public intermediate and high schools throughout the Western Visayas.

The Gideons International in the Philippines, Inc. will be distributing copies of the Holy Bible FREE to public intermediate and high schools. However, the distribution and the brief talk should be scheduled outside of class hours so as not to disrupt classes.

Attached is the copy of the Proclamation No. 124.

For information and appropriate action.



THE GIDEONS INTERNATIONAL IN THE PHILIPPINES, INC.
1000 NORTH CAYAN, SUITE 101, CAYAN, PHILIPPINES 5000

Date: 1/26/18

Robert Clave Ma. Gemma M. Ledesma, CESO V
Director III
Officer-in-Charge
Henry Marfil Region VI Regional Office
Department of Education
Duran St., Iloilo City

Arnel Asis

Jan Acanto

Ed Dello

Dear Director Ledesma,

In support of President Rodrigo Roa Duterte's Presidential Proclamation No. 124 dated January 5, 2017 (attached) declaring the month of January of every year as National Bible Month and culminating in the last week thereof as National Bible Week, The Gideons International in the Philippines, Inc. would like to:

PROGRAMS

Scripture

Church Relations

Faith Fund

Gideons Card

Membership

- (1) Distribute the Holy Bible for FREE to public intermediate and high schools throughout the Western Visayas.
- (2) If allowed by the school administrator, give a brief talk about The Gideons International and the Holy Bible.

The Holy Bibles are non-denominational in the King James or New King James version which are widely accepted by all Christian faith.

As an organization, The Gideons International has existed since 1908 and is now in over 200 countries. To date The Gideons International has distributed over 2 billion Bibles and distributes at the rate of more than two copies every second.

We write to solicit your support of this laudable move by President Rodrigo Duterte to raise the Holy Bible in the consciousness of our people

Thank you and may God bless you richly.

Yours in Christian love,


DANILO ZARCEO
Regional Director, R2

MALACANAN PALACE
MANILA

PROCLAMATION NO. 124

DECLARING THE MONTH OF JANUARY OF EVERY YEAR AS
NATIONAL BIBLE MONTH CULMINATING IN THE LAST WEEK
THEREOF AS NATIONAL BIBLE WEEK

WHEREAS, the State recognizes the religious nature of the Filipino people and the elevating influence of religion in human society;

WHEREAS, while maintaining neutrality in its treatment of all religious communities, the government is not precluded from pursuing valid objectives secular in character even if it would have an incidental result affecting a particular religion or sect;

WHEREAS, the 1987 Constitution calls on the government to support efforts to strengthen the ethical and spiritual values and to develop the moral character of the Filipino people;

WHEREAS, history bears witness to the profound impact of the Bible on the life of nations, and to how it has moved and inspired many people, including statesmen and social reformers, to work for the betterment of their fellow human beings even at great cost to themselves;

WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper, for the molding of the spiritual, moral and social fiber of our citizenry, that national attention be focused on the importance of reading and studying the Bible;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RODRIGO ROA DUTERTE, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby declare the month of January of every year as National Bible Month, culminating in the last week of January as the National Bible Week.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Republic of the Philippines to be affixed.

Done in the City of Manila, this 5th day of January, in the Year of our Lord Two Thousand and Seventeen.

By the President:

SALVADOR D. MEDIALDEA
Executive Secretary



THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES
REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
MANILA - PHILIPPINES