

Tokyo Bulker- December 23rd, 2018

Name of Ship Visited: Tokyo Bulker
Date Visited: December 23rd, 2018
Port: Anchorage #6
Crew: 20 Filipino
Names of Ship Missionaries: Mel Pascua & Joe Fullerton (guest - waiver signed)
Result: 19- crew attended the Gospel presentation & all prayed along the sinner`s prayer; including my guest who was my work partner at BCFerries. Glory to God!
Items taken on & given out: 20- Christmas Gifts; 1-Capt. NT Bible; 10- Tagalog NT Bibles; mixed NT English Bibles; 2-Book of Romans/Bible Study Book; 5- Decision Magazines; Various Christian Tracts in Tagalog & English

Most of the crew came by the Gangway to meet with us at 1:15PM, and the Captain warmly welcomed us and invited us to proceed inside. Some of the crew helped us carry the Christmas gifts and our bags. Directly, Captain gathered his crew, after we indicated to him the purpose of us being aboard ship. 19 of them assembled together in the Captain`s office except for the 2/0 who is on duty in the Bridge monitoring the radars, and vigilantly observing the wind and vessel`s movement on the water. I welcomed them to our anchorage area, and then introduced ourselves & the ministry. I emphasized to them the free gift of eternal life by showing them a very tangible way of receiving it. I used the Christmas presents to demonstrate how the free gift of salvation become theirs personally. I also ask the Captain if he could read the Parable of John 3:1-7 in English, and he willingly participated. Praise God! All were very quiet and listening attentively to the Scriptures being shared. I then expounded on the new birth by interjecting my own personal conversion. There`s a couple of crew that were very excited and responding, Amen, as a sign of their agreement with me. When the invitation to make a decision came; all 19 present & my guest ("young man Justin" I call him) my work partner at BCFerries, and grandson of the late Isabel Fullerton from Wakesiah Gospel Church- an avid supporter of N.L.M.) all stood to their feet willingly. I stressed to all them that this prayer is a personal one, just between them and the Lord; therefore it has to be done in sincerity because God is not interested in their looks but the attitude of their hearts. I was so honoured and very thrilled to hear all of them repeating the prayer after me loudly, even Justin did it also. To me this is so precious because of all the 5 years I`ve been waiting

for him to respond, today is the day that he made commitment to received Jesus Christ (together with the 19 crewmembers) Lord and Saviour of their lives. All glory belongs to our God alone. I assured them that this is the best gift of all time - the Salvation of their souls. And they all in agreed. We rendered thanksgiving and clap offerings to our Heavenly Father, for their new found faith and for becoming "born again believers of Jesus Christ. HALLELUJAH! We prayed for their safe voyages to different ports; also for their families, and for the equipment and machinery to be working well. The Gospel was presented in a simple easy to understand, and it was received by them all greatly, resulting of 20 souls grafted into the universal family of God. The Captain generously invited us for a "Bridge tour" while waiting to be picked up by the Port Authority boat. I would like to encourage you: "Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the works of the Lord, forasmuch as you know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord". Thank you all for your continued prayers and support to this productive ministry of the Lord to the Seafarers. God bless us all.

MERRY CHRISTMAS everyone!!!

Report submitted by: Mel