

Metro Cebu  
**Rotary**  
Club



**Official bulletin of the Rotary Club of Metro Cebu  
District 3860 Philippines  
Admitted to Rotary International: 03 June 1978  
Club ID: 17123**

**The Rotary Club of Metro Cebu meets every 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month  
12noon at the Casino Español de Cebu, Ranudo St., Cebu City, Philippines**



## The Four-Way Test

*of the things we think, say or do.*

- 1 Is it the truth?
- 2 Is it fair to all concerned?
- 3 Will it build goodwill and better friendships?
- 4 Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

# Rotary



## OBJECT OF ROTARY

The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

- ① The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;
- ② High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;
- ③ The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;
- ④ The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

### ROTARIAN'S PLEDGE:

I am a Rotarian  
I will always uphold the **TRUTH**.

I am a Rotarian  
I will always strive to be **FAIR** in all my dealings with my Fellowmen.

I am a Rotarian  
I will always endeavor to build **GOODWILL** and **UNDERSTANDING** in my community, among my countrymen and people of all nations.

I am a Rotarian  
I will always seek to promote the greatest good for the greatest number of people in the spirit of **ROTARY SERVICE**.

I am a Rotarian  
I will always uphold the Rotary International Motto, **SERVICE ABOVE SELF**.



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**WELCOME TO OUR BI-MONTHLY REGULAR MEETING**

**July 23, 2025**

**PROGRAM**

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| 1. Call To Order by Pres.<br>Evelyn T. Nuñez                    | 7. Speaker: Atty. Summer Sibi<br>'The Case for Animal Rights' |
| 2. Invocation, Philippine<br>National Anthem and<br>Rotary Hymn | 8. Secretary's Report   |
| 3. Four Way Test  | 9. President's Report   |
| 4. The Rotarian's Pledge  | 10. Rotaract Corner and Other<br>Matters                      |
| 5. Fellowship Singing   | 11. Adjournment   |
| 6. Introduction of Guest<br>and Visiting Rotarians              |   |



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## ROTARY HYMN

I want to be a Rotarian for the world  
Make the Rotary flag as the flag of peace unfurled  
I shall serve, my community, help achieve universal unity.

Through Rotary, I shall dedicate my all  
World understanding shall be my cherished goal

With the 4-way test, ill pursue my quest  
And if I, in a way help obtain  
Peace in the world, I shall not have lived in vain

I observe service above self  
Lend a hand to all who need my help  
I'll get my spouse to involve in Rotary  
And in Rotary ways, I will train my family

With the four way test, we'll pursue our quest  
And if we, in a way help obtain  
Peace in the world, we shall not have lived in vain.

Build a bridge for tomorrow's youth  
Strengthened by nothing but the truth

Let's join our hands, there's no reason we'll divide  
We shall all understand why the good Lord is our guide

With the four way test, ill pursue my quest  
And if I, in a way help obtain  
Peace in the world I shall not have lived in vain

Peace be achieved, we shall have not lived ....  
in vain.



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# Secretary's Time



## 2nd Regular Meeting | Rotary Year 2025–2026 Rotary Club of Metro Cebu

A Happy Rotary Year to all, as we begin this journey with the inspiring theme: **Unite for Good!**

We started strong and united, with **“Unang Lakang: Rotary Day for Children”** on July 1, where 250 kids from Brgy. Sawang Calero and Brgy. Pasil received meals, hygiene kits, and art materials, and enjoyed storytelling and a fun mascot show — a beautiful first step into this new Rotary year.

Let's give a resounding congratulations to everyone for the successful **47th Induction and Turnover Ceremonies** held last July 2 with 26 members in attendance. We officially welcomed our new members **Dr. Samantha Tinsay** and **Atty. Summer Sibi** to our Rotary family — welcome aboard!

Earlier today, **July 19**, our club actively participated in the **Area 1 Coordination Meeting** at Quest Hotel, with the theme: **“Charting Our Course: Club Goals and Strategic Alignment.”**

RCMC was proudly represented by President **Evelyn Trani Nuñez**, yours truly **Secretary Elcasmer Acedo**, AG PP **Glenda**, and Rtn. **Nicole Claire Justo**.

**Part of the Assistant Governor's Report Highlight** is RCMC's great start with a **6.8% membership growth**, completion of our **Strategic Planning** — with all goals aligned and set.

The meeting also featured **“Youth in Action, United in Service”**, a spotlight on our New Generation Core Committee, including our very own **District Interact Chair Elcasmer Acedo**.



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## UPCOMING EVENTS:

- **July 24:** *Skills Training Program & Scholarship Orientation*, Alegria, Cebu (in partnership with Can Care)
- **July 25:** *Rotaract Strategic Planning* – CIT-U Chapter
- **July 26:**  
*Area 1 Bloodletting Activity* – Bondad Hall, Camp Lapu-Lapu, Apas (8:00 AM–2:00 PM)  
*3rd Interact Induction & Turnover* – SHS-Ateneo de Cebu, Pope Francis Hall (8:30 AM–10:30 AM)
- **July 27:** *INCOVER: Basic Orientation Seminar* for Rotaract Metro Cebu – Community-Based and CIT-U Chapter

We also acknowledge the receipt of our club's RI invoice based on our membership as of July 1. Kindly stay updated for more details.

✦As we move forward, let's stay engaged and committed. The **Month of August** promises even more opportunities for service — with one of the highlights being **RCMC's hosting of the Area 1 Coordination Meeting**.

Let's continue to **Unite for Good** and make each project and initiative count.

Yours in Rotary,



**Rtn. Elcasmer Acedo**

Secretary

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# President's Time



## President's Inaugural Address

RCMC Induction of Officers and Handover Ceremony

July 2, 2025

Good evening, fellow Rotarians, esteemed guests and friends.

With gratitude, humility and a profound sense of responsibility, I accept the role of PRESIDENT of our club, THE ROTARY CLUB OF METRO CEBU for RY 2025-2902. I am not just a leader but a fellow servant ready to work alongside each of you to turn compassion into action and, hopefully make a difference in our community.

Let me begin by sincerely thanking our outgoing President, EMMA RAMAS for her dedicated leadership to the ideals of Rotary. To our board, past presidents, committee chairs and every member who have contributed their time and heart to service, thank you for the unwavering support.

This year, I hope to build on the strengths of the club and explore more opportunities for growth, fellowship and impact. This year's guiding theme, "Unite for Good" emphasizes the "power of human connection to welcome new members, collaborate on service projects and amplify Rotary's global impact, ultimately creating positive change". It reminds us of what's possible when we come together – not for recognition or awards, not for reward but for service, peace and for the good of all. Our efforts, no matter how small they may seem, ripple outward and touch lives in ways we may never fully realize.

I plan to focus on three items:

**1. Stronger Unity Within Our Club-** STRONG IN FELLOWSHIP is STRONGER IN SERVICE. Let's nurture relationships, encourage participation and ensure membership engagement. Let's strengthen fellowship by attending meetings, participating in service projects and social event. Fellowship isn't just what we do for each other; it is also what we do together for the community.



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**2. Meaningful Service In our Community** – Engaging more deeply with the community -through service projects that matter, listening to local needs and being visible as a force for good;

**3. Collaboration with other clubs and organizations** – We shall work in partnership with schools, youth groups, other NGOs/civic organizations, private organizations and LGUs/local leaders to broaden our reach and deepen our impact.

We are volunteers committed to serving worthy local initiatives and combining our efforts through Rotary International to deliver major humanitarian projects. We are part of something global, yet our power is in our local action. Together, there is no limit to what we can achieve. Let this year be one where we unite in purpose, unite in action and unite in kindness.

Thank you for trusting me with this role. I am honored to serve you and alongside you. Let's make the rotary Year 2025-2026, a year of meaningful service, fellowship and unity...one project at a time, one community at a time.

MABUHAY ANG ROTARY CLUB OF METRO CEBU!

Yours in Rotary,

  
**Rtn. Evelyn Trani – Nuñez**  
President  
Rotary Club of Metro Cebu  
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# Message from the Immediate Past President

All protocols observed, My fellow Rotarians, dear friends, good evening.

Tonight is both a celebration and a farewell — a beautiful pause where gratitude, pride, and reflection converge. It is with deep humility and heartfelt joy that I stand before you to deliver this last message as your President for Rotary Year 2024–2025, a term we all embraced under the inspiring theme: “The Magic of Rotary.”



Looking back on this journey, I am in awe of what we have accomplished — not because of individual achievements, but because of the unity and commitment we all shared. This year, Rotary Club of Metro Cebu proudly received the Club Excellence Award from District 3860 — a distinction that affirms the heart, effort, and spirit we poured into this term. We complied with all the mandatory and secondary goals set forth by our District and settled every financial obligation to Rotary International and to District 3860, participated in all the District activities with excellence and integrity.

These achievements are not mere checkboxes. They are a testament to how we lived out the ideals of Service Above Self, how we transformed goals into actions, and how — together — we made the “Magic of Rotary” real and tangible for the communities we serve.

From impactful service projects to meaningful fellowships, from strategic partnerships to strong financial stewardship, we stood as a club committed not only to Rotary's vision, but also to innovation and compassion. We strengthened our internal systems, empowered new leaders, and ensured that our legacy continues with relevance and resilience.

Every accomplishment this year was built on the shoulders of those who came before me, and on the unwavering support of each and every one of you — past presidents, officers, directors, committee chairs, and members who gave your time, talents, and treasures without hesitation.



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I am especially grateful to our Board of Directors and Officers, who walked with me through every challenge, decision, and victory. You are the true magicians behind this year's success.

To our partners in service, our district officers, our generous donors, and our community allies — thank you for trusting and journeying with us.

And to our incoming President — you are inheriting not just a thriving club, but a deeply committed family. May you be blessed with the same support and joy I experienced in my term.

As I step down from this role, I do so with a full heart — full of gratitude, pride, and optimism. We have done well. And we will continue to do well, because we are Rotarians.

Allow me to recognize with tokens of appreciation the following persons who contributed a lot to making this term meaningful:

1. To our ever-supportive Assistant Governor for Area 1B, Jacob Ong, thank you for always guiding our club with your wisdom and encouraging words. Your presence made a big difference in our journey this year. This token is a symbol of our deep gratitude.
2. To our Rotaract CIT Chapter President, John Marlo Bayno, your passion, energy, and excellence brought honor to your club and ours. Congratulations on your well-deserved awards. We are so proud of you.
3. To Rotaract Community-Based President Gleene dela Peña, your leadership and commitment shone brightly this year. Your excellence awards are a reflection of your heart for service. Keep inspiring.
4. To Rotarian Ernesto Dacay, your almost perfect attendance and quiet dedication to every meeting and project did not go unnoticed. You truly embody Service Above Self.
5. To President Nominee Engr. Elcasmer Acedo, thank you for always stepping up, even in the small things. Your consistent help meant more than words can say.



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6. To Immediate Past President Dr. Glenda Miro Antonio, thank you for your steady guidance and ever-ready support.
7. To Past Presidents Ar. Jonathan and Dr. Josefina Zabate — the Rotary power couple — your leadership in our Health on Wheels missions and your unwavering presence inspired us all. You truly lead with a heart.
8. To Rotarian Vera Cruz, your quiet efficiency as our club assistant secretary — from publications to reports — kept everything running smoothly. Thank you for your diligence and dedication.
9. To Rotarian Raul Laurente, thank you for taking the lead in our fundraising efforts. Your initiative fueled our ability to serve even more people.
10. To our dear Past President, Past Assistant Governor and RCMC Foundation Chairman, Dr. Wyben Briones — our constant provider, supporter, and silent hero. You've been like a father to the club, ensuring everything was okay. We are deeply grateful.
11. Last, but not the least, to our very own club support staff, Ms. Maria Mimi Acasio - Baguio, thank you for making my life as President lighter and easier.

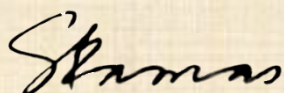
Indeed, the Magic of Rotary is real — and it lives in all of us.

Thank you for the privilege to serve. Thank you for believing in the magic.

Mabuhay ang Rotary Club of Metro Cebu. Mabuhay ang District 3860, Mabuhay ang Rotary International!

Good night, and God bless everyone.

Yours in Rotary,



**Rtn. Ma. Emma A. Ramas**  
Outgoing President  
Rotary Club of Metro Cebu  
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# Member's Insight Corner\*



**Rtn.. Samantha F. Tinsay, MD, DPCLM**  
Public Health Physician

## Leadership Rooted in Integrity and Service

Leadership, for me, has never been about power, prestige, or position. It has always been about service, integrity, and showing up for others, even when it's inconvenient, uncomfortable, or unpopular.

As a former government physician and public servant, I've had the privilege of serving at the grassroots level, where leadership is not measured by titles but by trust, compassion, and the courage to do what is right.

My leadership philosophy aligns deeply with Rotary's values: to lead with purpose, empathy, and unwavering integrity. I believe in leading by example, especially when it's hardest to do so. As Daniel Goleman writes in his Harvard Business Review article *"What Makes a Leader?"*, qualities like self-awareness, empathy, and emotional intelligence are not only essential, they are tools for navigating real-world challenges, especially in public service, where ethical dilemmas and political interference are daily realities.

As a former Municipal Health Officer in Bantayan, Cebu, I was confronted with a situation that tested my values. I was asked to support a decision that would have benefited a few at the expense of the broader community. I said "no." I resigned from my secure position, knowing the consequences could be severe. It was one of the hardest decisions of my life, but it reaffirmed my belief that leadership is not about comfort, it's about conscience. That decision cost certain politicians their re-election, according to our newly elected Mayor, but it preserved my integrity and protected the people I had pledged to serve.

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Despite the threats and isolation that followed, I remained grounded in the very principles Rotary stands for: truth, fairness, goodwill, and benefit to all concerned. Five months later, I returned to the island not as a government official, but as a community advocate. I organized health education classes for teenagers, donated school supplies to children with special needs, provided free medical consultations to indigent patients, and led Lifestyle Medicine initiatives for the underserved. My return wasn't about recognition, it was about continuing the work of service and building a healthier community for those who need it most.

The most meaningful victories in my career aren't found in plaques or titles, but in the lives quietly transformed: a malnourished child now thriving in school, a TB patient finally accessing treatment, a senior citizen no longer needing to travel hours for care. These are the moments that give my work purpose. They are reminders of the "Service Above Self" ethos that fuels Rotary's global impact, and my own.

Leadership is not about having all the answers. It's about having the courage to stand firm in your values, the humility to listen, and the determination to act in service of others. I strive to embody these principles every day, not just in policy, but in practice.

I may no longer hold a government post, but I remain a public servant at heart. Like every Rotarian I've met, I believe that when you lead with integrity and empathy, even the smallest acts of service can create ripple effects that change lives and communities for the better.

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# RCMC in Action

## RCMC Regular Membership meeting and Charter Anniversary Celebration (June 04, 2025)

Now in its 47th year since its charter on June 3, 1978, the Rotary Club of Metro Cebu continues to stand as a pillar of service and leadership in the region. For nearly five decades, the club has been at the forefront of delivering meaningful and impactful service projects—uplifting communities not only within Cebu City but also in neighboring provinces.

Whether through health initiatives, education programs, environmental efforts, or disaster response, the club's legacy of service reflects a deep and enduring commitment to creating lasting change and empowering lives.



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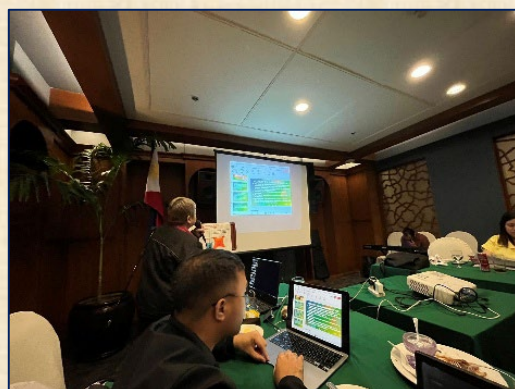
## RCMC Strategic Planning for RY 2025-2026 (June 18, 2025)

### Charting the Path Forward: Strategic Action Planning with Purpose

The Rotary Club of Metro Cebu recently concluded a dynamic Strategic Action Planning Session—an inspiring time of reflection, collaboration, and strategic alignment. Together, we revisited our goals, sharpened our direction, and strengthened our collective commitment to Unite for Good.

With renewed focus and a shared vision, we are more energized than ever to translate plans into purposeful action, and service into lasting impact.

Here's to a Rotary Year filled with clarity, compassion, and meaningful change!



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# RCMC in Action

## RCMC Participates in the Unang Lakang District Project (July 01, 2025)

### Kicking Off the Rotary Year with Purpose and Joy!

The Rotary Club of Metro Cebu, alongside our ever-energetic Rotaractors, joined the RI District 3860 in welcoming the new Rotary Year through “Unang Lakang”, a children’s party held at the Cebu City Sports Institute.

We shared a joyful day with 250 children from Brgy. Pasil and Brgy. Ermita. The event was filled with laughter, love, and purposeful giving—each child received essential vitamins, hygiene kits, and coloring materials to support both their health and creativity.

This heartwarming gathering was more than just a celebration—it was a reflection of our collective commitment to **Unite for Good**, planting seeds of hope, wellness, and happiness in the communities we serve.

Here’s to a new Rotary Year guided by compassion, connection, and purposeful action!



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## RCMC 47th Induction and Turnover Ceremonies (July 02, 2025)



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## RCMC 47th Induction and Turnover Ceremonies (July 02, 2025)

### RCMC Celebrates 47 Years of Leadership and Service

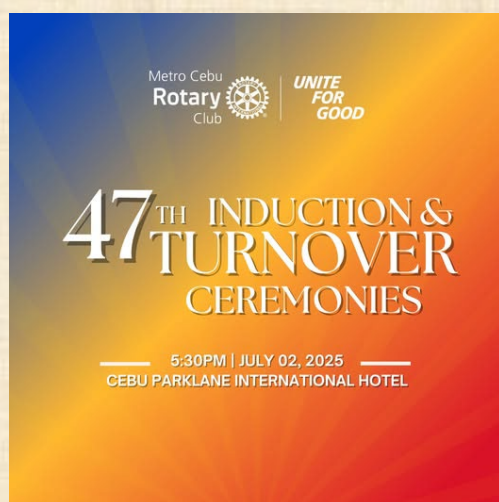
On July 2, 2025, the Rotary Club of Metro Cebu proudly celebrated its **47th Induction and Turnover Ceremonies**. Held at the Cebu Parklane Hotel, it was an evening that honored the club's enduring legacy of service and welcomed a new chapter of leadership.

Apart from the induction of new officers, the club also welcomed two new members into the fold, Dr. Samantha Tinsay and Atty. Summer Sibi, equally dynamic as their sponsoring Rotarian, Pres. Evelyn Trani Nuñez.

The induction was graced by Cebu City Mayor Nestor Archival, Governor Pam Baricuatro's Chief of Staff Mr. Paulo Uy, District 3860 Governor Angel "Jong" Fernandez, and friends from the District and other Rotary clubs.

As a new set of officers took their oath, the spirit of unity and purpose filled the room, inspired by this year's Rotary International theme, **"Unite for Good."** With renewed commitment, we move forward—stronger, more united, and ever more dedicated to creating lasting hope and impact in the communities we serve.

Here's to 47 years of meaningful service—and to many more ahead!



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# RCMC in Action

## RCMC Attending the 1<sup>st</sup> ACOM for RY 2025-2026 (July 19, 2025)

RCMC joined fellow committed Rotary leaders in the **Area 1 Coordination Meeting** held last July 19, 2025, at the Quest Hotel & Conference Center, Cebu City.

With the theme "**Charting Our Course: Club Goals and Strategic Alignment**," the event was hosted by RC Cebu Fort San Pedro, with active participation from **President Evelyn Trani Nuñez, Secretary Elcasmer Acedo, Assistant Governor PP Glenda and Rtn. Nicole Clare Justo** of the Rotary Club of Metro Cebu.

### **Assistant Governor's Report Highlight:**

RC Metro Cebu starts the year strong with a **6.8% membership growth**, the successful conduct of its Strategic Planning, and the celebration of its 47th Induction and Handover Ceremonies, where all goals were set and aligned.

A special feature, "**Youth in Action, United in Service**," spotlighted our New Generation Core Committee:

PAG Maria Chonita Cejas – District RYLA Chair

DRR Jacob Erm Jericho Dolino – District Rotaract Representative

DIC Elcasmer Acedo – District Interact Chair



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# Upcoming Projects

Reminders!



**Month of July 2025  
Schedule of Activities**



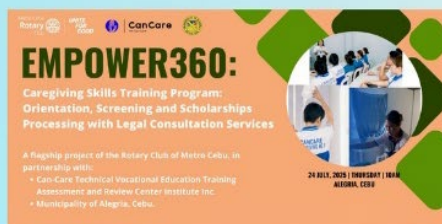
**01  
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NEW YEAR  
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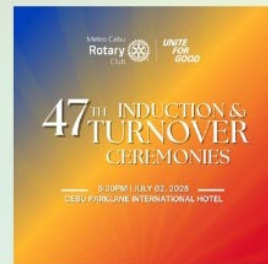
**04  
DISTRICT  
HANDOVER &  
INDUCTION  
CEREMONIES**



**24  
EMPOWER 360° :  
CAREGIVING SKILLS  
TRAINING PROGRAM**



**02  
CLUB  
INDUCTION  
& TURNOVER  
CEREMONIES**



**23  
2ND CLUB  
MEETING  
TALK ON THE CASE  
FOR ANIMAL  
RIGHTS**



**26  
ROTARACT CLUBS OF  
METRO CEBU - BASIC  
ORIENTATION SEMINAR**



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# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

July 02 - VP Mherin Rodriguez

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July 19 – PP Josefina Zabate



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## Invocation

Dear God,

Thank you for our Rotary meeting. For everyone that puts something into it, and everyone that gets something out of it. We invoke your blessings on this meeting and all who grace it with their presence. Lord, help us to be gentle with ourselves and one another. Be with us this day and always by strengthening our belief in the ultimate triumph of truth and right.

This prayer we make, in the name of the Lord Jesus, our way, our truth and life.

Amen.



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### Certificate of Attendance

This is to certify that \_\_\_\_\_ of the Rotary Club of \_\_\_\_\_ has attended the regular weekly meeting of the club on \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_ at the Casino Espanol de Cebu, Ranudo St., Cebu City.

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