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A WORLD IN CRISIS: COVID-19: PART EIGHT

And so the pandemic goes on and on and on and on and on. And so the enhanced community quarantine is extended again and again and again and again, and again until 15 May 2020. And so the numbers keep increasing and increasing and increasing and increasing and increasing:

COVID-19 CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC

Last updated: April 27, 2020

Last updated: May 4, 2020

Coronavirus Cases:

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3,004,890

3,565,141

Deaths:

Deaths:

207,262

248,245

Recovered:

Recovered:

882,984

1,153,988

The top five countries most affected by the coronavirus are:

April 27, 2020-May 4, 2020

	<u>Confirmed Cases</u>	<u>Deaths</u>	<u>Recovered</u>
USA	987,322-1,188,122	55,4157-68,598	118,781-178,263
Spain	226,629-247,122	23,190-25,264	117,727-148,558
Italy	197,675-210,717	26,644-28,884	64,928-81,654
UK	186,599	28,446	N/A
France	162,100-168,693	22,856-24,895	44,903-50,784

It will be noted that the UK has significantly increased in the number of cases and deaths and has overtaken France and Germany.

Germany	157,770-165,664	5,976-6,866	114,500-130,600
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In the Philippines, these are the figures:

April 27,2020-May 4, 2020

Confirmed Cases
7,777-9,223

Deaths
511-607

Recovered
932-1,214

The pandemic has caused many deaths of Filipino doctors and nurses here and abroad. *The Inquirer* recently compiled pictures of some of the doctors who gave up their lives to save others. We reproduce the pictures here for remembrance and in gratitude:

Dr. Greg Macasaet

Manila Doctors Hospital



Dr. Rose Pulido

San Juan de Dios Hospital



Dr. Israel Bactol

Philippine Heart Center



Dr. Raul Jara

Philippine Heart Center



Dr. Henry Fernandez

Pangasinan Medical Society



Dr. Marcelo Jaochico

Pampanga Provincial Health Chief





Dr. Sally Gatchalian
President, Philippine Pediatric Society



Dr. Leandro L. Resurreccion
Philippine Children's Medical Center



Dr. Dennis Ramon Tuddud
Philippine Society of Medical Oncology



Dr. Helen Tuddud
Vicente Sotto Memorial Medical Center



Dr. Nicko Bautista
Mandaluyong City Medical Center



Dr. Francisco Lukban
Cardiologist, Capitol Medical Center



Dr. Marcellano Cruz

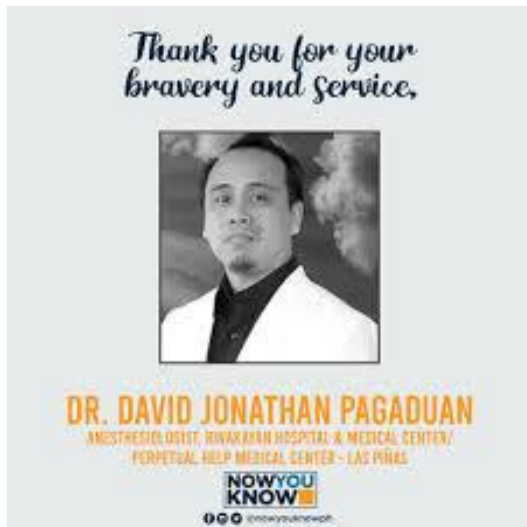
East Avenue Medical Center/Ospital ng Maynila



Dr. Janet Dancel Liban

FEU-NRMF Medical Center/
National Kidney and Transplant Institute

And lately...



Dr. David Jonathan Pagaduan

Binakayan Hospital and Medical Center
Perpetual Hep Hospital

In the US...

Unwilling to retire, 81 year old Filipino doctor in Las Vegas dies of COVID-19

From *Asian Journal*
by Christina M. Oriel

At 81 years old, Dr. Arthur Tayengco had no plans of retiring and continued seeing patients at his private practice along Charleston Blvd in Las Vegas.

An obstetrician-gynecologist for over 50 years, Tayengco practiced until he physically couldn't anymore after he contracted COVID-19, the disease linked to the novel coronavirus.

"He loved medicine. He just wouldn't stop. I kept asking, 'Don't you want to retire yet?' He would say, 'No, I'm not done,'" his eldest daughter, Michele Tayengco, told the *Asian Journal*.



Dr. Tayengco reportedly got infected in mid-March after two medical assistants at his office tested positive for COVID-19, according to his ex-wife Delia Tayengco, with whom he remained close.

61-year-old Hollywood nurse dies 2 days after testing positive for COVID-19

by Sareen Habeshian, Kimberly Cheng



Celia Lardizabal Marco, a 61-year-old nurse at Hollywood Presbyterian Medical Center, died on April 17, just two days after testing positive for the coronavirus.

"It was definitely heartbreaking... She passed away alone, without family by her side," her son John Marcos said. "The hospital she was admitted in, it was also the hospital she was working in, so at least there were coworkers who knew her."

Marcos says his mother, who had worked at the hospital since 2004, was working directly with coronavirus patients.

"She knew they needed her and that was all she needed as a reason," he said.

Due to the shortage of personal protective equipment, Celia only had a surgical mask, rather than an N95 mask, according to her son.

PAULINIAN RESPONSE TO COVID-19 PANDEMIC

Sr. Evangeline Anastacio, SPC, University President, who spearheaded the PPE Campaign for the Frontliners in SPC Hospitals, shares the following update:

May I share with you the updated report on the PPE Campaign for the Frontliners in SPC-run Hospitals. We have reached beyond the Php 1M. mark with total peso donations (including pledges) amounting to Php 927,363 and total dollar donations amounting to \$1,544. Using a conversion rate of Php 50/\$1, the grand total would now be Php 1,004,563.00.

We are reserving a cash balance of Php 250,000+ just in case we need to send more KN95 and surgical masks and other PPEs to the SPC hospitals.

We are in this together. Thank you very, very much! This would not have been possible without your magnanimity of heart, your generosity and your support. May God reward you a hundredfold.



With regard to our other project of accommodating frontliners in the SPU Manila guests rooms and in the dormitory, here are some of her updates:

Since April 2, we have been providing accommodation for a maximum of 21 nurses from the PGH, particularly nurses who are assigned in non-COVID exposed areas.

Starting this coming week, however, we will be hosting 24 additional nurses out of the 90 or more who were staying in hotels around the vicinity of Manila for the past five weeks until this week. They are now asked to vacate the hotels as the latter will soon resume their operations. Let us pray that other kindhearted souls will accept them in their lodging facilities.

BSN BATCH 2020 SEND DONATIONS FOR PPE CAMPAIGN

Lucy Ila-Bermudez (HS 1965, BSN 2020), responding to the appeal of Marilyn Abalos, Chair of SPC USA, spearheaded a drive among her batch mates in the US, Canada, and the Philippines. Together, the batch mates and some relatives and friends raised P155,000.00, which was received by the school last week. Following are the kind-hearted Paulinian nurses who gave their donations through Lucy (photo right):



Aida Montemayor-Pascual, Aurora Castillo-Pulido, Rachel Risos-Thayer, Ellen Edano-Santos, Yolanda Cruz-Eisenstein, Mary Jane Lim-Gregory, Corazon Pontejos, Frances Denoga-Spears, Nora Francisco-Lawson, Emma Ambal-Tolentino, Nora Gonzales-Nario, Rouena Cesario-Agustin, Marilyn Rigunay-Sevilla, Lilia Balmaceda-Tidalgo, Esperanza Fajardo-Fermin, Gladina Lapuz-Lacefield, Eloisa Cuevas-Joven, Violeta Santiano-Villanueva, Remedios Bordon-Cassel, Marilou de Leon-Hernandez, Minerva Bathan-Villena, Lolita Garcillano-Ilano, Francia Dizon-Obias, Erlinda Arambulo-Silva, Lorlene Delgado-Canela, Victoria Tobia-Dungo, Isabel Coronado-Castillo, Amelia Baldovino-Lopez, Fe Pacheco-Dela Cruz, Victoria Diaz-Fojas, Corazon de Villa, Teresita Leviste-Demers, Jesusa Valenzuela-Santos, Lucy Ila-Bermudez.

All of the above mentioned names are from USA and Canada. Sabina Vina Hocson-Tadena and Esperanza Abulencia are from the Philippines. We are all from Class 1970 Fleur-de-Marie; Corazon Canlas Class 1969 Marvioletta; Guia Ila-Layco Class 1964 Lilimarie.