#### GCI MEMBER PROFILE



### **Marivir Lynn Mayonte**

#### Tell us about your role in your local congregation.

I'm a worship leader, sometimes bassist, and Faith Avenue champion in GC Cebu, Philippines.

#### What skills do you bring to the role?

I started as an instrumentalist, playing bass and guitar. I was a very shy person back then, but eventually I have gained more confidence in speaking. So, I started taking a worship leading role as well and underwent vocal training to be more fit for the role.

#### What makes you a good fit?

Honestly, I'm not a very confident person, and I don't particularly think that I fit perfectly in worship leading. But I'm thankful my brothers and sisters are very gracious and patient people. I'm happy to serve and participate in whatever ministry God is leading me into!

#### What do you want people to know about working/serving here?

One thing I can confidently share is that serving in GCI recently has helped me gain more confidence. And I'm happy people are focusing more on how we participate in God's work instead of trying to become perfect in everything. We are slowly learning that our participation is not about trying to please God because we love him; it's because he loved us first that we are compelled to bring our best and share that love with everyone.

#### What excites you about this role?

Aside from leading worship, serving as the Faith Avenue Champion helped me grow significantly in confidence, especially in facilitating meetings, initiating conversations, and speaking more openly. The role really encouraged me to step out of my shell and become more engaged in leadership and community building. One challenge is that I still doubt myself from time to time. I thank God that people are gracious enough to encourage me, and God never fails to prompt the best in people.

## What are some core values that guide your life and influence your approach to ministry?

My core value is love and compassion. Focus on love instead of trying to be the perfectionist for any role that you get into. I eventually realized that God is the one that teaches us what love really is about, and I have more to find out in marriage, family, friendship, church, work, and outreach!

### Can you share a memorable experience or testimony from your time in this role?

I never imagined myself becoming a worship leader or an Avenue champion. I never considered myself the "leader type" and public speaking has never been my strength. But here I am. And honestly, it's nothing I take credit for. It's amazing how God moves people through his grace. I see this not as a personal achievement, but as a testimony of how God grows us when we're willing to serve. God gives me the mindset to lead, not for recognition, but to serve others and to share the love and relationship I've been so blessed to receive from him.

# Get to know Marivir



Me and my husband, Arar



Faith Avenue Meeting



Combined Service Welcoming President Greg Williams

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