

## FROM DETROIT AREA

# 15-Unit 'Army' Planning To 'Invade' Philippines

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DETROIT, Mich. — An invasion of the Philippine Islands by an army of missionaries is now in the planning stages in the Detroit area. Fifteen Christians will make up the invasion force which is planning to embark sometime early this year.

The strategy for this new work was planned several months ago by Charles Garner, former missionary to the Philippines. He also planned to lead the missionaries, but two recent heart attacks have forced him to remain in the States.

However, several other qualified men are continuing with the program and have been training for the coming mis-

sion. They will be leading workers into both Manila and Baguio City.

The plan is to evangelize the entire population of 28 million, leading the people out of the Roman Catholic and Moslem camps. The first major concentration is to be in Baguio City where presently a Bible school is being operated by members of the church of Christ.

Assistance will be given the work underway at Philippine Bible College where men are being trained to be preachers. Work with small children, personal evangelism, public preaching and correspondence courses will be used, and a large

array of printed material will be produced by their own equipment and distributed.

Taking Garner's place as the leader of the mission will be Bob Buchanan, a preacher from Trenton, Mich. He has been preaching for 10 years primarily in the North. Other members of the invasion force are: the Ray Bryan family, the Bennie Jamison family, the Houston McGough family.

Groundwork for this new program has already been laid by former missionaries who have worked in the Islands. Through these early efforts, a sizable force of native workers has been trained and will be on hand to assist the new missionaries.

Three families from the States are now working in the Baguio City area.

For more information about this evangelism project, contact Bob Buchanan, in-care-of the elders, Church of Christ, 20th and Oak Streets, Wyandotte, Mich.



*NEW LEADER—When Charles Garner suffered two heart attacks recently, Bob Buchanan, shown here with his family, assumed the role of leader for the coming mission program in the Philippine Islands. Buchanan has been preaching for almost 10 years.*