

DEBT RELIEF



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MANY people think that hell does not exist. They think that such a horrid place cannot exist because a loving God would not create such a terrible place, or for those who deny that hell exists, they likewise deny that hell exists because they believe that there is nothing after death. But it doesn't really matter what people think or believe, a fact remains a fact, and if hell exists, it still exists irrespective of what people think. God still exists even if there are those who deny He exists. The paradise on earth called Hawaii still exists even if some people do not believe it does. Some of us have been to Hawaii even if some of us deny it exists. Now, for those of us who are atheists, how can they be so certain that God does not exist, and hell does not exist, when they have not yet died? Is it not the better part of caution to assume that you could be wrong and gamble that hell could exist and try to avoid going there for the rest of eternity than being so cocky

now to think that you are so sure that it could not exist and end up there after you die? But hell does exist. Some people have been there and have returned. Just like some people have been to Hawaii and have returned. Bill Wiese, a realtor from California, has been to hell and returned. Bill has written a book called *23 Minutes in Hell*. It is Bill's sincere hope that his book will be "the closest you will ever come to experiencing hell for yourself." I just read the book yesterday and I would like to share with you how hell is to scare the living daylights out of you. God wants you to know that hell exists. He banished Lucifer and the other fallen angels there. It is populated by demons and hideous creatures beyond the imagination of man. That is where people who have not chosen Jesus go after they die. And hell is a horrible place! There, the inhabitants hate God, and because humans are created in the image of God, they, the devils and demons hate humans. In hell, devils and demons specialize in inflicting pain and suffering on humans but there humans cannot escape by dying because there humans

Does hell exist?

cannot die. Instead, humans experience the most intense pain, suffering, despair, hopelessness, loneliness and isolation for eternity. Why is this so? Because God is not in hell, and humans cannot even think of God in hell. There is no life in hell. It is completely barren and extremely hot. The minute you arrive your are com-

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pletely naked and placed in a 15' by 15' holding cell carved from stone. There is no light. It is completely dark. Inside the cell there are two demons keeping you company. You will want to get up and run but you will have no strength. "The creatures weren't animals, but they weren't human, either. Each beast resembled a reptile in appearance, but took on human form. Their arms and legs were unequal in length, out of proportion-without symmetry. The first one had bumps and scales all over its grotesque body. It had a huge protruding

jaw, gigantic teeth, and large sunken eyes. This creature was stout and powerful, with thick legs and abnormally large feet. It was pacing violently around the cell like a caged bull, and its demeanor was extremely ferocious. The second beast was taller and thinner, with very long arms and razor sharp fins that covered its body. Protruding from its hands were claws that were nearly a foot long. Its personality seemed different from the first being. It was certainly no less evil, but it remained rather still. I could hear the creatures speaking to each other. Although I could not identify what language it was, somehow I could understand their words. They were awful words-terrible, blasphemous language that spewed from their mouths expressing extreme hatred for God."

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STARTED by a father and daughter team three years ago, Katipunan-USA's main goal is to bring necessary change to the Philippines with its humanitarian projects. Our non-profit organization has sent books to Filipino elementary and high schools, raised money for a Filipino orphanage in Cabanatuan City, and brought a Filipino teacher to the US for free

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People and Events

Professional Golf Association (PGA) Members

Visit the Philippines for the 1st Time

MEMBERS of the world's largest and most respected working sports association, the Professional Golf Association (PGA) toured key cities and played at prime Philippine golf destinations during their recent Philippine Golf Familiarization tour from March 29 to April 5, 2009. The PGA members toured Manila, Cavite, Batangas, and Cebu and played in some of the country's world-class and PGA masters-designed golf courses like the Orchard Golf and Country Club, Riviera Golf Club, Manila

Southwoods, Eagleridge and the Alta Vista Golf Club in Cebu. The familiarization tour is in line with the efforts of the Philippine Department of Tourism under the able leadership of Secretary Joseph H. Durano to position the Philippines as a premier golf holiday destination for North American golf professionals and enthusiasts. Golf is one of the niche markets that have been identified as having sufficient travellers, hence recession-proof. The others are dive, adventure, health and wellness, and medical tourism.

Aside from getting challenged by the golf courses, the fam tour participants experienced the best of Filipino hospitality as they went on city tours, spa treatments, site inspections of five-star and deluxe hotels, and generous Filipino feasts. In return, the participants conducted a two-day golf clinic, free of charge for the members of the Alta Vista Club in Cebu. "I have been hearing stories about the Philippines for 15 years and until I experienced it I could not believe it. It is unbelievable!" said Mr. Ratzl Aeillo, a

professional golf instructor at the Blackhawk Country Club in Walnut Creek, California. He added that his fam tour experience opened for him a very favorable perception of the Philippines. Australian Open player and First Assistant Golf Professional of Castlewood Country Club in Pleasanton, California, Mr. John "JJ" West, summed up his Philippine experience by saying "Went with strangers came back with friends. Golf in the Philippines is surely not to be missed. From unique golf courses to the excellent service to the wonderful people, a golf trip to the Philippines is not to be missed. It is a once in a lifetime opportunity". "Priced well, golfing in the Philippines will be a great success!" was how Mr. Kenneth Yuson, a Professional Golf Manager of Coyote Country Club, described the Philippine golf potentials. A golf tour operator and wholesaler, Mr. Yuson is pursuing to package with ActiVentures an all-inclusive golf tour to the Philippines in October 2009. He



is also aiming to have a Filipino-American golfer to be a member of the PGA. "Everything you can want from scuba diving to the golf courses to the people, it is a perfect destination. Wonderful experience, you will see things in the Philippines that you will not see anywhere else!" said Mr. Michael Robason who is a Professional Golf Instructor representing Metropolitan Golf Club. On his day at leisure schedule, he went to Anilao for his first Intro Dive and loved it. His experience in Anilao proved to him that the Philippines is indeed a multi-activity tourist destination.

"The staff that we encountered whether it was the hotel transport or golf course treated us as if we were their only clients for the week and are deserving of a 5-star experience" said Florida-based Mr. Diedric Holmes, Senior Director of Education representing a non-profit, PGA accredited educational program for the youth teaching life skills through golf scholarships called "The First Tee World Golf Village." He has set up programs in various US cities and in foreign countries. He hopes to set up the very first "The First Tee" program (www.thefirsttee.org) in the Philippines someday. ■

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LEA SALONGA 'Inspired' 2009 North American tour in Los Angeles

LOS ANGELES – Tony Award Winner Lea Salonga has been captivating audiences around the world, and now she will embark on a limited number of dates for her 2009 "Inspired" USA tour. Hot off the heels of headlining the critically acclaimed Southeast Asian road show of Rodgers and Hammerstein's classic, *Cinderella*, Lea Salonga leaves her "glass slippers" behind to mesmerize audiences stateside. Tickets are on sale now for the Los Angeles, CA date, which will take place on Saturday, May 30, 2009 at 8:00pm at the Aratani Japan America Theatre. Tickets are priced at \$50/\$75 and \$100 for VIP with reception and will be available at the Aratani/Japan America Theatre Box Office, www.asiaamericasympphony.org/tickets. Having created the role of the orphaned "Kim" in *Miss Saigon* and brought to life the singing of Disney's Mulan (*Reflection*) and Princess Jasmine in Disney's *Aladdin* - it's truly *A Whole New World*, for Salonga and her angelic voice. Salonga has become the national treasure of her Philippine homeland as she captivates audiences the world over – playing to sold out houses

at Carnegie Hall, Hong Kong's Cultural Centre and the historical Walt Disney Concert Hall in Los Angeles. Salonga has been singing since the age of ten when she made her theatrical debut in the King and I, and has gone on to release three studio albums. She began an illustrious career in Broadway musicals when she was cast to play Kim in *Miss Saigon* after a world-wide talent search. Additional Credits Include *Les Miserables*, *My Fair Lady*, *Grease*, *The Sound of Music*, *Annie* and *Cinderella* among many others. In 2008 Lea was presented the Order of Lakan-dula, rank of Kumandante (Commander), by the President of the Philippines. This is the highest honor that can be bestowed upon a Filipino civilian. In the field of musical theater, she is recognized for having won the Olivier, Tony, Drama Desk, Outer Critics, and Theatre World Awards, and the first to win various international awards for a single role. She was also the first Asian to play Eponine in the musical *Les Misérables* on Broadway. For more information please visit www.leasalonga.com ■

