



A vibrant green banner with a textured background. The central text reads "AAFL 1st E-Meet Up" in large, bold, red letters, with "NOVEMBER 3, 2021" in smaller yellow letters below it. The banner is decorated with various colorful stickers: hearts with smiley faces, rainbows, stars, thumbs up, hands clapping, and speech bubbles saying "HELLO EVERYONE!". White starburst shapes are scattered throughout the design.

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## First E-Meet Up

November 3, 2021, marked the first-ever acquaintance of AAFL, and it's one for the books! More than 20 people came in attendance who participated and enjoyed the get-together. It was a chance to know one another and bond. This will definitely not be the last; this is just the beginning. The facilitators would like to take this chance to give thanks to those who came. We are delighted and grateful for your cooperation! We thank those who have shared their feedback as well. This fuels us to keep on going and inspires each one of us to think of new ideas on how to grow this association into something greater!

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*I could say, finally, after a decade Adventist librarians have their first virtual reunion and meeting. I am very thankful for the initiative of my fellow librarians from AIIAS, who exerted their efforts and time to make this happen. For the presentations and ideas on how we can improve our services and serve our clients efficiently and effectively. This meeting also led to producing its first newsletter which contains important news and updates and other significant information about the organization. It is also a cost-effective means for building relationships and maintaining regular contact with the Adventist librarians. Overall, I am happy to virtually meet my fellow Adventist librarians from different institutions and hear their stories and experiences during this time of the pandemic. Looking forward to meeting them personally. (Sana all) Thank you so much and God Bless, AAFL! - Sheena, AUP*

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*"Thank you for making the AAFL Online Acquaintance possible. It allows us to get to know more of our fellow librarians from different parts of the country and have fellowship with them through games and activities." - Angie, AUPE*

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*The e-meet up was really fun and memorable. Seeing librarians from the same denomination and most are familiar to me is priceless. And I enjoyed the activities plus the prizes. I wish and pray that our group will last long and I look forward to more activities and meet sometimes face to face when time is getting better. I'm proud I am a member of our new group "Association of Adventist Filipino Librarians". - Maribel, UPHSD*

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*"When I attended the online acquaintance of AAFL, personally, it was not just the "getting to know each other's name" type of acquaintance. It felt more like an assurance of having a support system in our line of work. Also, upon seeing our mentors, they gave us the vibe of willingness to guide and help us in our respective library needs." - Chelsea, CPAC*

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*"I'm really happy to attend this program, to have this kind of acquaintance with my fellow Adventist librarian, wherein we get together again even in the virtual meet. After a long time, we met again virtually with my previous instructors and colleagues as well. It's given me an opportunity to know and meet other Adventist Librarians from different institutions. I also enjoyed the activity, and because of that it seems that the allotted time is not enough, but actually, it is. Thanks to a meaningful virtual acquaintance. 'Sana maulit muli.'" - Arline, Olivarez College*

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## Meet the Librarians

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*From left to right: Luisa, Neslie, and Imelda*