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Dear friends and partners:

Greetings from The Philippines; if you are in the USA we hope you are starting to enjoy the summer by now. We are in the beginning of rainy season here. We had a hot dry season which they call "the summer" here; officially it is from March through May. The summer was very hot so it is actually nice to get some cooler temperatures and a little rain, but not too much.



This time of year the rain forest becomes more beautiful as the thirsty forest soaks up the rain and everything becomes alive with vibrant shades of green again. It is also the season for the flame tree or fire tree to bloom. It has large bright red flowers.



This is actually back to school time in The Philippines, for the kids who go to school. The first day back to school was officially June 3rd. As usual we are helping a few kids who want to go to school but need some help. We also gave out some school supplies to help the kids in Kingdom Celebration. It can be a big help for the kids to receive some school supplies. They have been asking for various items that they need for about a month now. Some of the kids would not even go to school if they did not get a little help in this way. The schools require the kids to provide what they need and a kid would be embarrassed to come to school without the needed supplies. So the kids in need are actually worried about how they will get the items they need for school.

Below are some pictures of the kids receiving school supplies



The Kingdom of God is established in each of us first and then it spreads as we obey God in what we do and say. God's words are seeds that grow in a person's heart being nurtured by the Holy Spirit. Many times the expanding of the Kingdom of God is invisible to us at first but later we see the fruit. We have been here long enough to see some fruit and there is more to come. The people we have planted in are also becoming word seed planters. This is true in The Philippines and around the world through the Internet. We just received the below testimony from a woman in the United States.

The Lord really spoke to me through your website, specifically the article "Love God With All Your Heart". After a terrible family tragedy, my spiritual life began to wane. Although I prayed and read, everything was 'flat'. I didn't realize, until the Lord brought it out from my heart, that I had stored up anger and grief against God. I shut myself away to battle this out, crying and praying and seeking a godly word. Somehow, the Lord brought me to your website and that article opened the door to understanding and repentance. Thank you for presenting the truth through the Spirit of God. It does make a big difference, an eternal difference.

Thank you partners, You are making a big difference, **an eternal difference**. We are in the process of trying to develop another web site that will be mobile friendly. Already, about half of our visitors to the SeekGod.org site are on mobile phones and pads. We have more potential than ever as the world becomes more connected. Google is in the process of making internet access available to the next one billion people. Most of these are a young generation that are accessing the internet through mobile technology. They are from the western world; but also from China, India, the Middle East and throughout Asia. Never before have we been able to reach so many and do so much with so little. The potential will rapidly increase in the next few years as technology develops.

Everywhere we go we meet kids in need who are begging. They are usually asking for food, and motion that they are hungry. Sometimes they are just trying to get money for other things. But we have been here long enough to be able to tell which kids are really hungry and need help. The other day we met this group when two of them approached me to ask for food. We fed them at a nearby outdoor market café. We feed them, plant some seeds in their hearts and pray with them.



On the left is a picture of Warren three years ago the night we rescued him from the streets; on the right Warren today. Warren made a lot of progress quickly. In the first year he gained 50% of his body weight and grew six inches taller. If we can get malnourished kids early enough they can catch up to normal size. Warren also grew spiritually he absorbed Bible verses and when I told him something was in the Bible he accepted it as truth. He had a problem with getting along with other kids and fighting especially when playing games like basketball. I recognized that he is called to be a warrior so I explained that people are never the enemy. Satan is your enemy and God's enemy that is who you are to fight. God helped him get rid of some anger and stop fighting people. About a year ago Warren ran away and went back to his old life for a time. He met a friend who brought him to a farm to work and that is where he has been living and working. He came back to see us a few days ago we are not sure how long he will stay but I can see that Jesus is at work in his life and the seeds we planted of the Kingdom of God are growing in him. When we introduce someone to Jesus and teach them to hear and obey His voice the King begins to rule in their life. Warren is now 17.



When Warren ran away it was a big disappointment for us. It affected our whole family we were all sad. When you choose to love you connect your life to another person and their decisions affect you. In dealing with street kids having them run away is something that can happen. We do not always know everything that is going on inside of them. However, we have a promise that God's word will not return void. They can run away from us but if they have given their life to Jesus they can not runaway from Him. He is always with them and always speaking to them.

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As it is written: "HE HAS DISPERSED ABROAD, HE HAS GIVEN TO THE POOR; HIS RIGHTEOUSNESS ENDURES FOREVER." Now may He who supplies seed to the sower, and bread for food, supply and multiply the seed you have sown and increase the fruits of your righteousness, while you are enriched in everything for all liberality, which causes thanksgiving through us to God. For the administration of this service not only supplies the needs of the saints, but also is abounding through many thanksgivings to God. (2nd Cor. 9:9-12)

Goals

Note: the list below is in priority order according to the needs of the ministry and the number of lives that are affected

1. More regular monthly support to continue the ministry and be able to help more kids. **Update** with our expenses and cost of operation our needed survival support is now at \$2,500 US dollars per month. When we get more than that we are able to do more than survive like do outreaches, maintenance on the buildings and other needed projects. Our goal is to get our support up to \$7,500 per month so that we can work on the transformation center and be able to take in children in need.
2. \$23,000 US dollars for a Toyota 15 Passenger van, our current van is a 1994 Toyota; it is 19 years old and has served us well for six years but is now requiring expensive repairs more frequently. We need transportation for so many things we do in The Philippines including outreaches to street kids.
3. \$35,000 USD to purchase the lot behind the Transformation Center to use as a mini-farm for raising produce for the ministry, to feed the poor, and for possible income. **Update** the bank who owns the lot has warned us that they have two offers on the property for commercial development. They now want 2.5 million pesos for the property which would be \$62,500 US dollars at 40 pesos per dollar. I am not sure if that price is true, we feel that we could get it for less with cash, but we do know people are interested in buying the big lot. It will be a loss if we are not able to obtain the lot because the Transformation Center would be surrounded on four sides and it will limit what we can do at the Transformation Center.
4. Funds for remodeling the Transformation Center we possibly need \$70,000 USD for completion but we can work in stages as funds become available.

We are so thankful for the Lord's provision and we are so thankful for YOU. All of you who have prayed for us and given financially to help us get this far, THANK YOU! We know that the Lord sends very special people to help in this ministry. The Lord is the One building the Transformation Center; He is the One producing fruit in the lives of people as each of us obey His voice.

We love you, and pray God's blessings on you and your family; Gary, Suzzhette, and Kids

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