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*That which we have seen and heard we declare to you, that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with His Son Jesus Christ. And these things we write to you that your joy may be full.
(1 John 1:3-4 NKJV)*

Dear Friends and Partners:

This year is moving by fast, it is hard to believe we are already in September. I have mixed emotions about the date September 11; it is our wedding anniversary, which is good, however it is impossible to think about that date without remembering the events involving the World Trade Center also. We continue to pray for America and the future of the nation. For the people who hide themselves in Christ, in the secret place, there is nothing to fear. The Lord knows how to protect His people and bring them through any situation.

Last year the most powerful typhoon ever, struck The Philippines. There were prophets of God who warned the people and called for them to turn to the Lord and repent. The prophecies were specific about the locations. In the one city that was the most devastated the mayor and his family are Christians. One week before the typhoon struck the wife had a dream and she saw the destruction coming, she thought it was a tsunami because she did know about storm surge. She then purchased life jackets for each member of their family. That was what saved their lives when the water rushed in. There are many other testimonies. A church where people gathered to pray was spared and the people were safe inside during the typhoon but all around them there was total devastation and the watermark was higher than the church building, but water did not come in the church. God knows how to protect His people but we must pay attention to the warnings and stay close to Him.

At the Transformation Center, we have been feeding a few poor kids who are hungry. We told them if they go to school then they can come to the Transformation Center at lunch time and we will feed them. When kids are hungry, they often skip school. We want to encourage them to stay in school. We also do Bible study with them while they are there.

Last month a teacher came to visit us from the local elementary school, she was sent by the principal of the school. She told us that they are very thankful for what we are doing and they wanted to know if they could send more students. They know which kids are very poor and malnourished and in need of the feeding. The teacher also said they are happy that we teach Bible study and they have seen the kid's behavior improve. We said yes, they could send more students. The next day 38 kids showed up for lunch and Bible study.

Now, more teachers from other classes want their needy students to be able to come. We told them we could only feed up to 50 students because we do not have the resources for more than that. Actually, even 50 is a step of faith at this time.



Above, Suzzhette teaching the kids about Jesus and what the Bible says



Below, Joshua teaching the kids a song about God's love.



Below, kids praying to give their lives to Jesus



Thank You Partners

Our van is in the shop for some major repairs. We have been without transportation for three weeks. That makes it difficult for us to operate and get supplies and groceries. At the same time, we have had a drop in support.

In July, we received \$1,596 USD and in August, we received \$1,680 US dollars. Because prices continue to go up we currently need about \$3,500 per month to sustain the ministry. That allows us to do the ministries in The Philippines and keep the internet ministries going also. It also allows us to do some repairs and maintenance on the Transformation Center. As you may know, building materials are expensive. When we receive extra funds, we try to do more of the needed work on the Transformation Center building. Currently we are at a low point financially.

In the past, we received some support from other countries, especially in Asia and the Middle East. However, over the last few years countries have been passing laws to make it illegal to give money to a NGO or Non-Profit organization outside of their own country. Even PayPal is restricted. This has hurt us.

If you are in one of those countries and would like to help us continue doing what we are doing in The Philippines and on the Internet, you can give money to my personal PayPal account in the USA.

You can send funds through PayPal to my personal account email:
GaryRobertBallard@gmail.com

This is a personal account and you can give as you would send money to a friend. Let me know if you have any problems doing this.

Goals to Advance

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

1. \$25,000 US dollars for a Toyota 15 Passenger van, our current van is a 1994 Toyota; it is 20 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.
2. The needs are so great in The Philippines and to make a long term difference in people's lives is expensive. We can always reach more kids with greater funding. However, we are doing the best we can as the Lord provides and we are amazed at how the Lord can touch so many lives as we obey Him. Your gifts to the ministry make a big difference.
3. Long term, we would like to purchase a farm or land near the Transformation Center. The lot we were hoping to obtain behind the Transformation Center has been sold. We would like to get a farm close to here that would be a rehabilitation place for older kids and help us produce food for the hungry. We believe it can also help us generate some income. Food prices are high even in The Philippines where many things can be easily grown.

We are so thankful for the Lord's provision and we are so thankful for YOU. All of you who pray for us and give financially to help us continue. 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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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)