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## A Changed Life

One late afternoon I heard our dogs barking loudly and along with barking, the cry of a little girl. She was apparently afraid of the dogs so I hushed the dogs and allowed her to pass. A few days later while Raylene was in the front yard feeding her pets, she heard the crying of the same girl, dressed in school uniform, walking home. The school is 2 kilometers away from her house so Raylene accompanied her past our house and our dogs, so she could continue to walk home.

After a few days on a rainy afternoon, Raylene heard a small

the pouring rain. Raylene saw that the girl was walking awkwardly trying to protect herself with her bag from getting wet. Raylene told her she could wait for the rain to stop before heading home.

While waiting for the rain to stop, we all chatted and got to know 8-year old, Jonary. Raylene inquired whether her family attends church. Jonary replied that she could only remember going to church once. Immediately Raylene invited her to come to church with us and get her parent's permission. Since her school bag was soaking wet, Raylene provided her a school bag and a

voice asking whether she could come in for shelter from

dress to change into from her wet clothes. We thank you, our generous supporters for what you provide that helps young people in our part of the Philippines.

When Sabbath came that week, Jonary was at church at 7:30 am along with her mother and brother, We asked her mother why they came so early when we told them service starts at 9:00 am and she responded that both kids were eager and excited for church. From that Sabbath on, the two siblings became regular attendees. Last month, another sibling joined so three siblings now attend church every Sabbath. Our hope is that through the witness of Jonary and Ben, their mother and the youngest sister will begin coming to church also.

## Home to Die

I was out and about working diligently at 9:00 am when the phone rang. “Kuya Edgar can you help us bring my father home because the doctor said he is dying?” His father has acute damage to his kidneys and he wants to die on the island where he has lived most of his life instead of a hospital bed in the city.

I told him, “Okay.”

Immediately I drove to Puerto Princesa, 60 kilometers (37 miles) away to pick them up, then drive an additional 72 kilometers (44 miles) past our initial departure point. They will have to continue further via boat to reach their small island.

Numasing relayed that his father was diagnosed with stage 4 kidney damage and needed a transplant; his glucose was extremely low; and if he fell sleep he will never wake again. I safely, hurriedly drove in order to reach the designated drop off area before dark.

While on the road Numasing talked the entire drive in order to keep his father awake. It was dark when we got there so we quickly drove home. Since there is no cell coverage on their island, I didn't hear from Numasing again until 2 weeks later. He relayed that his father had passed away and conveyed how grateful he was for the humanitarian transportation service we provided for his father.

*God bless you!*

*Edgar & Raylene Espinosa*



### PRAYER REQUEST:

Children attending church to take Bible study, dedicate themselves to the Lord and request to be baptized.



### PROJECT NEEDS:

Shocks and struts on 2001 Nissan Frontier pickup used for various outreach and humanitarian ministries.

A van or bus that can transport 10 needy children to church activities.



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