

# Philippine South District Kiwanis International

*"Serving the Children of the World"*



## To whom it may concern:

The Partnership of **Kiwanis International Philippine South District and the Risen Savior Mission and Feed My Starving Children Foundation** serving starving children is the most tangible service opportunity that binds us to pursue the feeding program with a common belief that every child has a right to a nutritious food – a belief that our lives are enriched when we graciously give our time, talent and treasure.

Malnutrition means "bad nutrition. Simply, it means what the food our body eats and how the body uses it. Due to insufficient food, poor balance diet and inability to absorb and digest food, it exposes everyone especially infants and young children who are most vulnerable of infections and diseases causing high mortality rates.

**The Balay Ni San Jose- Kiwanis Kids Feeding Program-** A district-wide initiated program of the Philippine South District of Kiwanis International,( initiated by Wilfredo "Boy Valencia and Jose "Ike" Altavas) which focuses its major emphasis on feeding children by providing the organizational ground works while networking with volunteers, NGO's LGU, and PO's to implement a doable approach to feed malnourished kids.

As a distribution partner, The **Risen Saviour Missions based at Minnesota, USA outsourced the fortified rice packs from the Feed My Starving Children Foundation**, then ship the rice packs to Manila and distributed to Visaya and Mindanao Area.


Thousands of Malnourished Children and youth in Agusan Del Sur, Davao City, Island Garden City of Samal, South Cotabato, North Cotabato and Lanao Del Sur are now eating fortified Manna rice several times a week. The Feeding Program started in Mindanao in July 2009 with 50 malnourished children from Camudmud Elementary School. Presently we are serving more or less 10,000 malnourished children in the entire Mindanao area.

We must always remember that our priorities are our Children of today, the future of a healthy populace. The young children are not only the future of our motherland but also "her early dawn". In the spirit of service, we are our brothers' keepers easing out their pangs of hunger.

With the strong support of the **Risen Savior Missions and the Feed my Starving Children Foundation**, we aim to open more feeding sites as long as supplies last sustained by the deidicated services of our volunteers.

Together, Let us feed the starving children by building more "Balay ni San Jose" (House of St. Joseph), Indeed, "Big things come in small boxes".

In the name of Christ our Savior,

  
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