

**SAVE THE DATE: RSM GALA ON OCT. 26**

**July 2019**



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Feeding Jesus in His Starving Children

The RSM team is very hard at work planning our biggest event of the year, the Risen Savior Missions Gala on October 26. This year's theme is *Feed the Dream*.



*A sample of the new home page.*

**New  
RSM  
Website**

**[www.RisenSaviorMissions.org](http://www.RisenSaviorMissions.org)**

Introducing Risen Savior Missions' new website! Over a year in the making, the new website details the history of RSM and our work, and it features stories from the mission fields. All of our previous newsletters are also available, plus the photo and video galleries are extensive.

You will also find information on our upcoming events and ways to get involved with Risen Savior Missions, from making a donation to becoming a volunteer.

Be sure to check it out and let us know what you think!

## **“Ship Happens!”**

**by John Crudele**

When Tim Rethlake and his wife Justine looked at countless photos from my recent mission trip to the Philippines, Tim said, "I'm not going over there, but I want to do something. What's it cost to send a shipping container of meals for the kids?"

I told him that \$3,000 will send 272,000 meals, feeding 2,500 kids for six months, and he replied, "Okay, here's what we're going to do. Let's invite 30 guys over for pizza, beer, and cigars. I'll make the pizzas! Each guy kicks in \$100 and we raise the \$3,000 and feed 2,500 children for six months. We'll call it 'Ship Happens!'"

Rich Chapman, Tim, and I each invited 10 guys. The founder of Risen Savior Missions, Jerry Krosnowski came out to tell the missionary story of how RSM's programs save lives, are sustainable, and lead to independence. Thirty men had an amazing evening of hospitality, fun, and fellowship for a cause!

Then another gift appeared when generous friends of Tim and Justine's matched it with \$3,000 from their family foundation. \$6,100 was raised in total! That's two containers of nutritious meals and 5,000 Filipino children fed for six months. Wow! These men came together with open hearts for

service and a sincere desire to impact the world. They wanted to make a difference. Thank you Justine and Tim for opening your home and making 15 amazing fire oven pizzas, and thank you to everyone for your great generosity! You made “ship happen!”

Would you like to impact the lives of thousands of starving children like Tim and Justine creatively did? Contact RSM on our website and ask us about hosting a “Ship Happens” event. We'll send you information with ideas on how to plan your own event to ship meals and save lives.



**THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING RSM WITH YOUR PRAYERS AND DONATIONS!**



# The Blessing of Food

In the province of Bukidnon, located in Northern Mindanao in the Philippines, Risen Savior Missions sends food to students at Panayaban Té Simsimén. Bukidnon means “highlander” or “mountain dweller,” and the students walk for one to three hours every day just to get to school. Most of these children come from very poor families, so they usually make the trek on an empty stomach.



Crisme Joy Man-okil is a 7-year-old student who lives in the outskirts of the village of Kalagangan and makes the 7.5 mile hike every day. The Salug River and the Bulalang River are in her path, and she needs to cross the winding Bulalang River ten times because it is the only way to get to school.

The people who live in her area belong to the Matigsalug Tribe. Matigasalug means “people who live near Salug River.” The people here live a very simple life in nipa huts or small houses called baléy and tend to their small farms that grow upland rice, corn, cassava, sweet potato, and other root crops.



*Crisme stands next to her mother in this family photo.*



Last October and November, Kalagangan experienced terrible typhoons that caused major landslides and flash floods. Their crops and homes were completely washed out, leaving many families with only the clothes they were wearing. Then, when they attempted to replant, January brought with it extreme temperatures and little rain.

When Risen Savior Missions heard about their desperate situation, we had to help. A feeding site was set up at Panayaban Té Simsimén, Crisme’s school. Crisme weighed only 28.6 pounds. She was severely malnourished, and yet she was trying so hard to work on her school lessons despite her intense hunger pangs.



We started feeding 107 children in this remote area. Not only were they getting the food they needed, but they could function better in school. The smiles were incredible! They were so thankful for the MannaPack Rice meals, praising God for His blessing of food.

Now Crisme weighs 35 pounds and is doing better in school, but she isn’t out of danger yet. Will you please help us bring Crisme and her school back to health with your donation today? May God bless you!



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**[www.risensaviormissions.org](http://www.risensaviormissions.org)**

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