





Crispin's Story



I am Crispin Tadong, 5 years old. I belong to an indigenous group, the Matigsalug tribe, in Sitio-Malinao, Kalagangan, San Fernando, Bukidnon, Philippines.

At a young age, I have already experienced hardship. My family and I used to live in a small bamboo house in a mountainous place in the province of Bukidnon. We had to leave, because my parents have no stable job. We must venture to places where they can get food for the family. There are 10 of us, and my parents find it hard to support us in our daily needs.

My family went through a lot of financial difficulties and crises. In fact, we cannot afford to eat regular meals three times a day. Sometimes we have nothing to eat all day. At other times we were all starving horribly. I tried to help my parents find food for the family, sometimes until well in the evening, just to find anything to satisfy our hunger and make the pain of emptiness in our stomachs stop.

When I am weak from starvation, I can't go to

Keupiyanan Te Balugo, my school, because the journey is too long and crossing the huge slippery rocks in the river is too dangerous. Despite the challenges I face, I am so glad I got there. That's when I met my friends at Risen Savior Missions.

At first I was very thin and malnourished. My test scores were always very low. I could hardly follow the instructions given by my teacher. Many times I would be absent, because I was too weak to make the journey.

Then I had wonderful meals of MannaPack Rice at school, and I started feeling better. Now I come every day

to school. I have to continue my studies, because I want to become a successful man in the future. I need to go to school for that, and the Risen Savior Missions food helps me.

Thank you for helping me with this food. Thank you for giving me a chance to be successful!





Crispin has gained 15 pounds in just six months on the RSM feeding program. He is a very happy young boy who now has a dream!

RSM helps children by building a stable nutritional platform. Then they can learn about Jesus, themselves, and how to have a better future. Why do we do this? We are called to care for one another by our Savior. We are invited to participate in Christ's great love. Come join us!

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November 11 was a key night for RSM. With over 200 people in attendance at Mary, Mother of the Church in Burnsville, MN, we had a very successful fundraising gala! We received sponsorships for two

RSM Gala You were the key to its success!

Raffle Winners		
\$1,000	Mickey N. from St. Paul	
\$200	Paul T. from Alexandria	
\$100	Gavin P. from Apple Valley	
\$100	Amy A. from Eagan	
\$100	Mickey N from St Paul	

full containers of food, seven villages, one classroom, five quarter-acres of soybeans, and eight families. Thank you to all who came out to be the key to a child's future, and thank you to the many volunteers who made the night possible. We are grateful to God for each and every one of you!

Haunting Story of Jessabel



We met Jessabel in a coastal village in Northern Samar. Her mother had died a few months ago, and she was left under the care of her aging and sick grandparents. We found her eating sand, because she was so desperately malnourished.

We rushed her to a local hospital, but they didn't have the facilities to care for her. MannaPack Rice was too difficult for her to digest at this stage of starvation. Paliative care was our only resort. Jessabel would sometimes mumble to us that she missed her mother and wanted to join her in Heaven. She got her wish when she died two weeks later of a stroke and pneumonia.

Her suffering has ended, but her story is not uncommon in Northern Samar. That is why RSM is launching a new feeding and livelihood program on this terribly destitute island of the Philippines. Your donations can save these children.

Because RSM is comprised solely of volunteers, it only costs two cents to provide one vitamin-packed meal for a poor, wonderful child like her. May God help all of us to never tire of praying and doing good on behalf of these starving children.



Send your tax-deductible gift to:
Risen Savior Missions
14533 Eureka Court
Apple Valley, MN 55124

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