HAPPY EASTER FROM RSM!

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Glorifying GOD by Helping Starving Children!



"Words cannot express this missionary experience and adventure!"

It is so good to be back home in the USA. Last February our group of 25 people traveled to Manila and Marinduque island province for an 18-day Philippines medical mission and feeding site inspection tour. Our group was comprised of 17 medical team members, 4 RSM food missionaries, 2 Feed My Starving Children management staff, and a 2-person FMSC camera and video crew.

We were joined in the Philippines by many other amazing and dedicated local RSM volunteers at all the different locations of our missionary work to help save the children.

Words cannot truly express this missionary experience and adventure! Bishop Rey and the Governor of Marinduque, Carmencita O. Reyes, did such an amazing job of making us all feel comfortable and at home while being halfway around the world from Minnesota and Wisconsin. I don't think any of us will ever forget the hospitality and the gentle loving warmth in which it was delivered, despite being in the midst of daily traumatic medical situations and poor children suffering from malnutrition. As missionaries, Bishop Rey truly inspired us by his loving service, smile and humility. Each one of us felt so



wonderfully special and proud and honored at the same time, for having the privilege of being in loving service to thousands of the poorest of the poor within Bishop Rey's Diocese of Boac on Marinduque island.

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RSM Medical Missionaries ... Dedication at Work

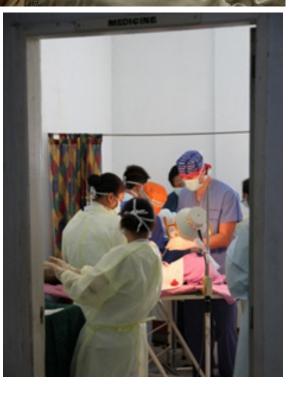
In only five days, the four RSM surgeons performed 195 free surgeries and conducted surgical consultations with another 48 patients.





The ophthalmology team performed free eye exams and fitted 853 patients with a free pair of glasses.





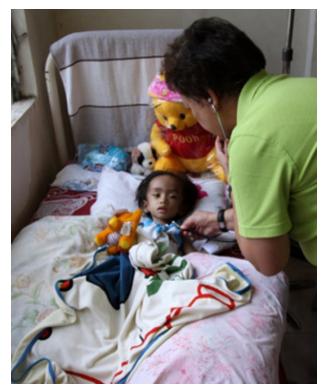
The rest of the doctors and nurses examined and prescribed medicines for hundreds of patients daily, giving the entire RSM medical team a grand total of 2,939 patients that were treated within 5 days.

Everyone joined in the effort. Even the RSM food missionaries were put to work packaging medicine for the pharmacy and toys for the pediatric patients!

The Story of Sofia

One special child truly stole our hearts during the medical mission. Her name is Sofia. At two years of age, she was severely malnourished and weighed only 13 pounds. This compromised her immune system, and she contracted pneumonia. When we met





Sofia, she was on the brink of death. Thankfully our medical mission team was there in time to do a thorough physical examination and prescribe the antibiotics and food she desperately needed. Because we already had a new food storage facility in place, we could get her emergency food supply right away. Through the introduction of FMSC MannaPack Potato-W, Sofia was able to get the nutrition she required in order to battle her pneumonia and have a fighting chance at life.



Just outside the Boac food warehouse, greenhouses have been built for growing supplemental food and teaching new farming techniques.



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"There is only one reason why we are gathered here ... the love of God." ~ Bishop Rey

As RSM food missionaries, we were kept very busy each day journeying around Marinduque and Metro Manila inspecting many of our holistic feeding sites.

On Marinduque, we witnessed the continuing progress of our MARINEL (Marinduque Integrated Nutritional

Educational Livelihood) project with Feed My Starving Children, Hapag Asa (Table of Hope), Assisi Development Foundation and the Catholic Bishops' Conference of the Philippines. Our goal is to wipe out malnutrition on the entire island. What began with just a few feeding sites has expanded over the last 7 months to 164 sites, with plans during the next 18 months to add another 90 feeding sites. It is truly all done by the grace of God and your prayers and donations!

When we started the project in 2009, approximately 23,000 people were identified as starving. After 3½ years we were able to drop that number to 13,791. Today, only 5,023 are left, and if we can successfully build an additional 90 feeding

"Food is the platform so that other activities can take place." ~ Matt Muraski, FMSC Director of International Programs

sites, we will be able to save them. By sustaining these efforts over the next three years, we will not only reverse malnutrition for the entire island but also have the critical time needed to rehabilitate the children, get them back into school, and teach new livelihood skills to the parents so that not one more child on this island will perish from lack of food again.



You see, the good news is that together we are beginning to win the battle over this evil — all by the loving grace of God and your charitable efforts! Yes, Jesus is bringing his Easter resurrection to the well being of this island and many more starving children in the

Philippines. Join us in this great work!

"Anyone who takes care of a little child like this is caring for me! And whoever cares for me is caring for God who sent me. Your care for others is the measure of your greatness." The Living Bible, Luke 9:48 Send your gift to: Risen Savior Missions 812 Springhill Drive Burnsville, MN 55306

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Your donation is 100% tax deductible, and 100% of your donation goes towards feeding starving children. May God bless you!