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Dorcas (Wessex) Trust

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In this pictorial newsletter there is information about the visit of Sol and Jowela from Kanlungan to Dorcas supporters in UK.

This month we welcome to England two friends from Kanlungan whose ministry we support in the Philippines. Sol Balbero (right) is Executive Director of the organisation she founded some 25 years ago. Jowela Samaniego is the programme co-ordinator.

They want to thank Dorcas supporters for their gifts and prayers and will show videos of the children and families they are supporting now. Their tour will last four weeks from mid-September and will include churches, groups and schools in Dorset, Devon, London, Kent, Essex, Lincolnshire, Derbyshire and Oxfordshire.



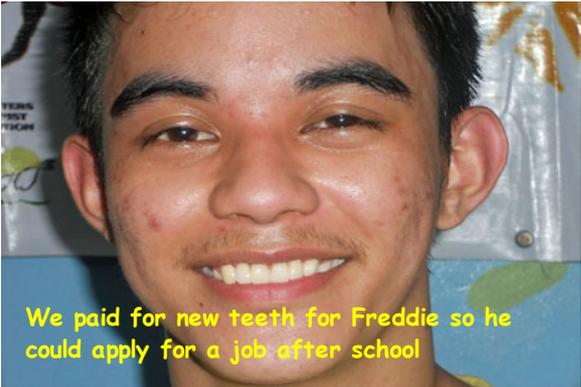
Providing tarpaulins and food to victims of the floods following the typhoons in Manila.



All Kanlungan girls have tasks before leaving for school.



Bible teaching is at the core of the support for children at Potter's Hand



We paid for new teeth for Freddie so he could apply for a job after school



New life, new hope given to street boys on the Kanlungan farm



Learning and singing worship songs at Potter's Hand



I met Jerome in 2007 aged 11 and gave him some food in exchange for the dirty rags from which he was sniffing 'rugby'. An hour later I found him again under its influence and took him to Kanlungan where he stayed for a year. In 2008 he became a Christian but returned to live on the street where he had access to his other addiction - computer games. Since then he has been my guard/minder every time I visit Manila. Thank God for Wilmar and the other staff at the Kanlungan Drop-in centre who have supported Jerome (extreme right), now 16, and these other street boys. They send their thanks to Dorcas for the clothes we bought them for their new life on the farm.



2012 Providing new clothes for some boys leaving their life on the streets for work on the Kanlungan farm.



In 2012 Dorcas has arranged four visits in which 16 people have gone from UK to the Philippines to experience first-hand life on the streets and in the shelters and drop-in centres. **If you would like to join the next trip please contact Graham for details of a visit leaving the first week of February 2013. This is a good time for a visit as it is a cool, dry month and flights are often cheaper.**



The pictures show some of those who went there this year at a variety of the places and activities they visited.



ABOUT DORCAS (WESSEX) TRUST

The Trust is a registered Christian Charity whose aim is to serve the poor, the dispossessed and the unwanted people of Manila, capital of the Philippines. We seek to respond to the Lord Jesus Christ's injunction to serve those whom the ordinary world rejects or ignores and to help them to take some steps towards a fuller life in Christ.

Donations towards the work:

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