## Heart for the Helpless Christians in Action Mabinay, Negros Oriental

\* We are thankful to the Lord for relocating us here in the mountains last February 2020 from Dumaguete City. Little did we know that there was going to be a pandemic that would lead to lockdowns and quarantines. It would have been really difficult for us if we didn't listen to God to move to the mountains, and stayed in the city instead. The situation in the City could have been very devastating for us with John being restricted to go out, because he is a senior citizen, and also the only licensed driver in our household.

God knows what's best for us. It was a hard adjustment for us to be in the mountains, but through God's grace, all things were possible.

## **Giving in the Midst of Crisis**

Thank you to all our financial donors. We were able to distribute roughly twenty 50 kilo sacks of rice, 80 kilos of dried fish, sacks of vegetables and many boxes of noodles to 200 families, while targeting senior citizens on our first wave of distribution, who were restricted to their homes.





## Current Project

It is our joy to help the needy children in the mountain, especially the under nourished. Through the generosity of donors and our personal finances, we are able to provide essentials for these children, most importantly milk, and rice as it is the staple food of our mountain neighbors.



Meet Senda, who has two twin daughters that are 2 years old, but are unable to speak or walk. She has a 4 year old son, and a malnourished 7 year old daughter, who looks like a 5 year old because she is so under nourished.

We thank God that after our initial visit, Senda began attending in our local church in the mountain village. Praying that she will be born again and will have wisdom on how to take care and nourish her children by cooking green leafy vegetable she can find in the mountains, along with milk and vitamin supplements that we may continue to provide.



### **Future Plans**

We plan to connect with our local Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) official to start working with them on how to help our children that are neglected or abused in some way. Additionally, we are planning to apply for a license to foster abandon children and possibly adopt one too, God willing.

We are also planning to resume our Children outreaches on Saturdays, that was stopped because of COVID restrictions.

Once the schools re-open, we plan to continue our outreaches to at least one different remote school each year to provide school supplies, clothes, vitamins & the love of Christ.

#### Prayer requests

\*That we will be allowed to hold children outreaches at our house, as children below 15 years old are still prohibited from going out into public places.

\*That the mayor in our town will provide us reliable road access to & from our house.



- \* A 4 x4 Ministry Vehicle that we can use to drive through the muddy mountain roads.
- \* For a better internet provider/connection for our area.

# James 1:27 NLT

Pure and genuine **religion** in the sight of God the Father means caring for orphans and widows in their distress and refusing to let the world corrupt you.



In His Hands, John & Margie Jones



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