

# STEPS WITH BEAUTIFUL FEET

...beautiful are the feet of those who bring the good news [of God]!  
(Romans 10:15 NIV)

## Merry Christmas!



Kids from Dasma outreach after they received their Operation Christmas Child shoe boxes as an early Christmas present. They were thrilled!

**Christ is born!** I hope you are all doing well this beautiful Christmas season! Just the other day while I was driving I was jamming to some great Christmas tunes on the radio, I had just bought a small Charlie Brown Christmas tree, and I was getting chilly wishing I had a warm coat to put on... then I realized the reason I was chilled was because the air conditioning was blasting on high! I proceeded to open the window to the tropical 90 degree weather to solve my problem. I had a good laugh at myself! Although the temperature here is a bit different around Christmas time in the Philippines the excitement, joy, and the value of family and friends around this season is just as beautiful! Most importantly it is such a wonderful time to share about the gift our God gave us at Christmas, Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior!

**The Next Step**— My goodness how fast nine months fly! The Lord has not stopped leading and directing me in every step of everyday. It has been quite the journey so far! I have been praying about the upcoming couple of years and where the Lord wants me, and the answer has been very clear (cue drum roll!) to continue doing street kids ministry with Brand New Day!

Just in the past month I have been here I have seen the ministry of BND grow and the need for more need for more people passionate about street kids ministry grow with it! Currently, there is a girls shelter with five girls and a boys shelter with eleven boys, daily Accelerated Learning System (ALS) classes daily for the kids who dropped out of school while living on the streets, scholarship programs for BND and community kids to attend formal school, a newly planted church in the river community where many of the kids families still live, weekly outreaches, and so so so much more always happening! It is so exciting to continue in ministry with BND!

A recent new focus of BND ministry is our plan to open a day center for street kids in Dasmariñas. Dasma is a suburb of Manila close to the current ministry base of BND. There is a lot



Meet Al a child BND has been reaching out to for several years on the streets!

of poverty and many street children in Dasma. The goal of the drop in center is to provide a safe place for kids to get help, do homework, play, and of course most importantly learn about God's love and plan for their lives! BND has been reaching out in this area for many years, so this opportunity is an answer to prayers. More details are to come later, but Dasma is a specific area I am excited to serve at!



BND's special outing earlier this month! There is never a dull moment with these awesome kids, staff and missionaries!

**Your Step**- So far, these past 9 months of ministry have been possible through your prayers and financial support. To say I am thankful for you is an understatement, you have been such incredible gifts from the Lord for His Kingdom! Will you continue to join me? As I take these steps I cannot do it alone, I will need more prayer partners and financial partners to continue to make this ministry opportunity possible. Would you consider continuing or becoming a monthly financial partner? Any amount is such a blessing and goes such a long way here! To give you can go to my website [www.actioninternational.org/benoit](http://www.actioninternational.org/benoit).



"The prayer of the righteous person is powerful and effective." -James 5:16 (NIV)

**Thank you** for being a part of what the Lord is doing here just by reading this newsletter! I am so blessed by you all! My prayer is that this Christmas you will grow in your understanding of God's love and grace as you are surrounded by so many blessings! Praying for you always!

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