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# KALIPAY TODAY

A QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

## TOP 5 on our WISHLIST

*We need **financial assistance** for the following monthly needs of the children in our two Kalipay homes.*

### 1) GENERATOR

- due to constant electrical shortages

### 2) CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR

- t-shirts, pants, underwear, shoes, socks, etc.

### 3) TOWELS and BEDSHEETS

### 4) MEDICINES AND FIRST AID

- vitamins, paracetamol, bandage, alcohol, iodine, band aid, thermometer, etc.

### 5) SCHOOL SUPPLIES

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bringing joy to disadvantaged children

## OUR NEW HAVEN HOME

The new Haven Home of Kalipay was blessed on March 07, 2012. The two-story home has complete facilities that can accommodate at least 40 children.

It also has separate bedrooms for boys, girls and toddlers with bathrooms, a library-classroom for some of the children who are home schooled, a timeout room for those suffering from trauma who become violent, a kitchen, a living room, an office for social workers, a clinic, a room for kitchen staff and two rooms for volunteers who help take care of the children.

Kalipay and its children are truly grateful to the donors who helped us build this wonderful shelter for our precious children.



## Project Updates

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Club

## CONSTRUCTION OF CLINIC AND CLASSROOMS FROM KINDER TO HIGH SCHOOL

Couples *Dan & Bunny Onate* and *Tony & Denise Vanderhurk* have brought great blessings to our KALIPAY GAWAD KALINGA BALCELLS HOPE VILLAGE located in Talisay City, Negros Occidental, Philippines.

Just last year they helped us build a much-needed clinic and the first three classrooms for the little ones in the village.

They again visited Gawad Kalinga - Alberto Balcells Hope Village on March 17, 2012 and decided to continue building classrooms all the way to high school.

Kalipay sincerely thanks these generous couples for making such a tremendous difference in the future of the children of our HOPE Village Community.



## KALIPAY EVENTS

### Ushare Website Launching



Kalipay officially launched their website on April 25, 2012, 1:30pm at Robinson's Place, Bacolod City. Unionbank representative shared that Ushare started because of Anna Balcells text brigade to her close friends. During the kick-off the Kalipay kids presented a karate demo, a song and dance number. At the end of the event the Kalipay kids and staff gave a tribute to *Anna Balcells*, Founder/President of Kalipay.



## Golf Tournament in Spain

On April 20, 2012 our Kalipay members in Madrid, Spain *Cristina Zobel*, *Carlos Rubio* and *Laura Narcue* organized a very successful and well-attended Golf Tournament at Centro Nacional de Golf in Madrid. A special raffle was also done to raise more funds for Kalipay.





## HAVEN'S SUMMER FUN ACTIVITIES

So much has happened since school ended late March 2012. The kids have taken part in doing the household assignments. Even the small kids helped in their own way especially during Saturday mornings when the whole house was being given a general cleaning before the final move in.

There is never a dull moment with the Kalipay Haven children. They spent a day at the Lakawon beach with the entire Kalipay staff and were brought to other exciting places in Negros. They also had singing and dancing lessons to showcase their God-given talents. And that's not all! Through a Kalipay volunteer they also had art lessons and activities that allowed the kids to show their creative side.

## INTERNATIONAL VISITORS

International members of **CISV (Children International Summer Villages)**: *Mrs. Junko Imanishi* from Japan, *Mrs. Mira Wisendha* and *Mrs. Rosemarie Kartotirjo* (both from Indonesia) and *Mr. Tom Adarme*, Regional Coordinator for Asia Pacific visited Kalipay and some of our projects during the month of May.

Mr. Tom Adarme has raised funds in our behalf resulting in 1,250 pairs of slippers and scores of ball pens and milk. Thank you so much Tom!



Our dear little ones have successfully graduated on March 30, 2012 from preparatory school and are moving up!

## KALIPAY WIZ LIST

*The following students are in the TOP 10 of their class*

JANNAH PORDEN  
JOENABEL "BUBBLES" PORDEN  
MARK PHILIP TENERO  
JACQUELINE ALVARADO  
ROBINA "REBECCA" VALENZUELA

**CONGRATULATIONS!!!**  
**We are very proud of you all!**

## Recovered Treasures

### Fully Functioning Purifying System

Our very generous donors from Manila, Philippines, **Mr. Frederick and Mrs. Carol Sy** recently donated and installed a water purifying system to our Recovered Treasures Home after hearing that the kids drank water straight from the existing deep-well water source. Thanks to their kinds hearts, the children can now finally enjoy clean purified water.



### Christmas in March

Christmas in March was thought of by **Chaplain Manuel Biadog**, a friend of the House Parents of Recovered Treasures Todd and Catherine Caplinger. He is a Filipino chaplain in the US Navy who wanted to give gifts to the kids but could not come til March 2012. Chaplain Biadog, along with his team presented gifts to the children. They received new towels, flip-flops, underwear and pillows.



## Friends from Singapore

Kalipay has been graced by the presence of special friends who have come all the way from Singapore to visit to spend meaningful time with the Kalipay kids.

On April 28 – May 02, 2012 **Janifer Yeo-Tan with her husband SK Tan, Nina Yeo, Raymond Kang, Magdalene Kang, Moyra Lim and Lawrence Leong** visited all the Kalipay projects and decided to make

Kalipay their own. Since that visit, this group from Singapore has, in so many ways, helped Kalipay.

Just a few days after, on May 07 – 09 a women's church group **Church of Our Savior (COOS)** from Singapore visited and presented a number for the kids.





The above picture was taken in Barcelona, Spain where we had our very first meeting as a group.

The prospect of visiting Spain came with the visit of Miquel Bonet to the Philippines early last year. He had heard about Kalipay and our work from my cousins in Spain. After I brought Miquel to the different homes and projects of Kalipay, he embraced the cause of the disadvantaged children and pledged his wholehearted support. Upon his invitation and the full support of Kalipay's BOT, I travelled to Spain in September 2011 where I stayed for two full months.

I visited Barcelona, Madrid and San Sebastian where I met up with many friends, acquaintances and family. It was a great opportunity for me to talk about my work. Armed with the Kalipay documentary with Spanish subtitle and the Spanish version of our brochures, I was invited to speak to different groups – civic clubs, schools, companies and individuals from all walks of life to raise awareness on the plight of the disadvantaged children in my birth country, the Philippines. Not long after my

## My Trip to Spain

*by Anna Balcells*

arrival, I found myself being interviewed on the radio, guesting in television shows and being featured in magazines!

During my stay in Spain, **KALIPAY SPAIN FOUNDATION** was formed with its own bank account, board members and area coordinators.

From BARCELONA - *Miquel Bonet, Tere Camps-Balcells, Tatat Cardona, Maisha Ortoll, Ramon Gonzalez, Nando Garcia and Lali Pons.*

From MADRID - *Laura Narcue, Cristina Zobel, Carlos Rubio-Lamata, Silvia Rubio-Lamata, Valerie Lassus-Sweigart and Chiqui Luzuriaga*

From SAN SEBASTIAN - *Olatz & Josu Aranburu and Juan Antonio & Belen Arriet*

During my visit Kalipay received many donations in kind, filling up our entire storage room. During my stay, I visited a town called Ordizia located in the northern province of San Sebastian, Spain and was given the opportunity to personally thank those who gave donations to Kalipay.

What blew me away during this visit was the willingness of all those I came across to help despite the economic crisis Spain is currently undergoing. I was very touched by the incredible support of all the people I met during my trip. The commitment they gave to continue helping us in our work was truly overwhelming. This is one trip I will never forget.

The picture below was with the Philippine Ambassador to Spain, **Mr. Carlos Salinas**. He too helped Kalipay in so many ways.



## VOLUNTEERS:

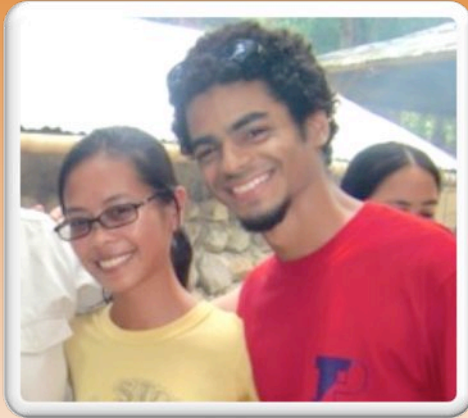
*Individuals who have given their time and effort to help the Kalipay kids*

- NANI LAUREL (Manila)
- ANNE PATRIE (Belgium)
- BRUNO ROUSSEL (New Brunswick, Canada)
- PET BECKLES (Japan)
- KATHLEEN MARTIN (Japan)
- BROOKE GREENTHAL (New York – USA)

*Thank you so much for the joy and happiness you have our Kalipay Children*



## NEW KALIPAY AMBASADORS



**OLIVER FRIAS AND SHERRY UY**  
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### MAKE A DIFFERENCE, DONATE:

**Account Name:**

KALIPAY NEGRENSE FOUNDATION, INC.

**Bank:** Banco de Oro, Gonzaga Branch,  
 Bacolod City, Negros Occidental, Philippines  
**Account Number:** 00 0720 140 889  
**Swift Address:** BNORPHMM

**Bank:** Union Bank, Araneta Branch,  
 Bacolod City, Negros Occidental, Philippines  
**Account Number:** 000 210021 214  
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**PayPal:** [kalipay@kalipaynegrensefoundation.com](mailto:kalipay@kalipaynegrensefoundation.com)  
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### New kid on the block...



Bimboy, 4 years old was rescued from the streets of Libertad, Bacolod City. He was severely malnourished and dehydrated with worm parasites in his stomach and was found with several deep neck and body knife wounds.

He was physically abused by his own mother and was referred to Kalipay by a concerned citizen who found Kalipay's Hotline from one of our Coin Cans. He was rescued by Kalipay's staff, brought to DSWD and was released and endorsed our Haven Home after documentation.

Now, just after a few months, Bimboy is a healthy and jolly kid who loves to dance. He is Kalipay's very own kiddie star!