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“...overcome *evil* with **good**.”

- Romans 12:21

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**Cover Photo:**

*Young men smile shyly while displaying the bountiful fruit of their labor.*

*One of them was once out in the street, hungry, thirsty, yet detested and feared by the people in his community. In conflict with the law, threatened by officials, his days were numbered. Ordered to disappear, he was desperate for help... and found it in the caring arms of the LORD'S people. He was invited to volunteer in the Onesimo Farm, slowly learning to live in harmony with fellow workers and the environment.*

*Thus .... overcoming **evil** with **good**.*

*Photo taken by Chris Schneider*

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### **As a Foundation, ONESIMO envisions ...**

*"We are a transformed community, growing together, serving the urban poor youth at risk that they may experience the Lordship of Jesus Christ in their own lives and their communities."*

### **Its Mission therefore is ...**

*"To reach, rehabilitate, equip and mobilize urban poor youth for the transformation of their families and communities that advance the values of the kingdom of God."*

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# MESSAGES

Once more I am so thrilled to read through this report and I continue proudly to be part of this ministry!

It was shortly before we left the Philippines, leaving Onesimo behind - in the hands of our Filipino co-workers. I recall sitting in a Christian leadership conference on urban ministries. Next to me a North-American Missionary, wanted to know about my involvement. I explained briefly about our ministry with street kids and youth from the slums and about our few centers for youth-rehabilitation. I also mentioned that we were soon to leave all of it behind, moving back home to Switzerland.

"Oh, you will see," the missionary, replied: "once you leave, everything you established here will collapse, including your ministry support in Europe."

This was in 2003, fifteen years ago! Onesimo did not only survive but showed phenomenal growth. The "prophecy" of that missionary was proven false! The entire operation has been in the hands of Filipinos since then, and I consider this as one of the success factors. In fact from the beginning we were careful in doing, modeling and nurturing things in an Asian – Filipino way. We tried to be just servants to local Christians and to the local culture. And we still are.

The fundraising for this is an ongoing miracle, since we still, like in the beginning, are doing this unprofessionally – without any cuts for us including our team of about 30 volunteers in Switzerland. It's our spare time passion for the Lord and for the poor.

To God be the Glory!

**Christian "Chris" Schneider**



## MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE BOARD

The year was exciting as we witness God's unfailing faithfulness and goodness shown in different ways. He is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine according to His power at work within us (Ephesians 3:20). We serve an amazing and incomparable God, indeed!

We started 2017 running as the Leadership Team worked hard to fast track the preparation of a project proposal after receiving an invitation from the Presidential Management Staff Office. But it was not meant to be when a letter was received in September from PMS informing us that it was not approved because of the government's other priorities in its anti-illegal drug war campaign. In spite of the disappointment, we have peace and quiet confidence that God is very much in control of how things turned out. Who knows, He might have saved OFI from facing a difficult situation in the future.

We also faced leadership transition when Executive Director Pastor BG Polidario indicated his intention to step down. The Board accepted Pastor BG's retirement and appointed Rosa Pecio to the position. Likewise, Pastor Dennis Manas was designated as Deputy Director concurrent with his role as Church-Based Ministry Director. They started in their respective roles in April. We praise God who helped ensure a smooth leadership transition at this time of change and bigger challenge.

The work in Camp and Farm development started in earnest with the entry of a volunteer consultant, Pastor Efren Roxas in June. Several groups came for short visits and helped do some practical tasks in the farm. The clearing of the property accelerated, the construction of a ram pump was completed, ensuring adequate water supply to meet requirements of on-going work, the building plans were finalized and bidding took place. The construction of the main farm and manager's houses began towards the end of the year.

Meanwhile, OFI's main programs and ministries – residential, church-based ministries, after care, Camp Rock and other activities continued to flourish. Our application for licensing and accreditation with the Department of Social Work and Development was approved. The number of youths, families, and churches that were reached and ministered through a variety of activities throughout the year is a clear indication of how much was accomplished.

Looking back, we praise God who helped, guided, supported and kept us safe. We thank the staff for their hard and diligent work in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ; for those we serve who were provided with opportunities to know and experience God in their lives; and for our partners – individuals, groups, churches who journey with us, faithfully and generously supporting us each step of the year. We are truly grateful!



**Josefina "Pine" Gutierrez**

## MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dear all Onesimo faithful supporters,

Year 2017 has ended and planning for year 2018 has been completed. It is now a time for us to reflect on what has been accomplished and what still remains to be done.

I personally realized that Onesimo Foundation's strategy, Reaching - which is caring; Rehabilitating - which is mentoring; Equipping - which is sharing lives; Mobilizing - which is trusting; is a continuing mandate. As it is written we must "...overcome evil with good."

This Annual Report features the many interventions, activities and opportunities given to young trainees to help them see the beauty of life and the hope God extends to all. These constitute a reality for all our beloved youth and their families.

In the residential program, we cared for 105 boys and girls. Through the Church Based Ministry partnerships 329 youthful beneficiaries were given basic needs and skills training.

Our Vacation Bible School program reached out to 569 children and youth. These all enjoyed a 4-day values formation training and bonus feeding program. 5-day Onesimo Summer Youth Camps in Puerto Galera were experienced by 356 young people and their adult volunteers. We conducted Family Retreats for 535 family members focusing on the value of the person. All of these short-term programs were packed with creative recreational activities that helped build and shape the next generation.

On financial and material relief we were able to provide funeral, medical and fire victim assistance to 52 families in our communities.

All of these could not have been done without you. We are overwhelmingly grateful for your substantial support. Thank you for enabling us to be your partner to equip the children and families and let them experience the benevolence and Lordship of Jesus Christ in their own lives and in their communities.

Truly in awe of what God can do!

**Rosa "Rose" Pecio**





## THE ONESIMO RESIDENTIAL PROGRAM

The Onesimo Residential Program, an on-going youth training program, has already ehabilitated many out-of-school youth in Manila, Quezon City, Caloocan, and other parts of Metro Manila and nearby provinces. These youths are now seeking and experiencing genuine transformation. Thousands of youth and their families have benefited from the program since it was started in 1996. The ministry grew from a handful of boys in one community in Frisco.

We cut the number of our residential centers from more than ten to just five centers in order to comply with the DSWD's standards as well as provide more focused care for our clients.

Onesimo Foundation operates within the belief that any development effort outside the experience of the people you want to help and where they are not main players, is bound to fail. We allow our clients in The Residential Program to interact with the people in the community on a daily basis. As we always say, we are an open rehabilitation program.

**Dennis R. Manas**

Program Director

## RESIDENTIAL REFLECTION

*Residential Reflection is conducted quarterly [1st and 3rd quarter residential joint reflection, then on the 2nd and 4th, reflection is done per center]*



On January 12-13, 2017 all residential youth together with center volunteers, Houseparents, and Social Workers had their spiritual reflection in Green Nature Resort, San Mateo Rizal. This activity developed the trainees' group interaction. The most exciting segment of the undertaking was the Team Building Games facilitated by Bobby and Jesusa.

In an activity, it was observed; those who did not cooperate were the ones who had difficulties in following instructions given by their leaders because they were busy acting as leaders too. The groups which finished on time were those who followed their leader's instruction.

The Reflection helped the youth to consider how they connect and communicate with one another.

Ptr. Dennis encouraged the trainees to take full advantage of the opportunities that Onesimo is giving them, finish the program, so that they will reap the good fruit of their labors. He also emphasized that premature romantic relationships are a major cause of not completing the 2-year program.



*Residential trainees with their Social Workers and volunteers*



*Trainees praying together*

## ALL OF LIFE GRADUATION

Seventeen (17) new beneficiaries of the residential program completed the 6 months All of Life Basic Discipleship Training. The graduation was held at Trade Union Congress of the Philippines (TUCP) on March 8, 2017. It was an encouragement for the youth seeing their parents attend the ceremony. For the youth, it means a lot, knowing that their families are there to show their support while they were in the process of proving that change is possible and improvement is within reach.

Trainees from different centers, presented their talents before the certificates were distributed.



All of Life graduates from different centers



Happy tears



Mendez center's dance presentation

## DAILY VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (DVBS)

"Fearless" is the theme of this year's DVBS. A total of 550 children joined the weeklong activities held in the communities where the residential centers are located. Through the years it has been an opportunity for the trainees to practice what they've learned from different spiritual activities inside the program as part of their development. DVBS gives the youth the opportunity to make use of new skills in ministering to the little children.



## WORK CAMP 2017

New faces, new lives were given an opportunity to experience temporarily a life far from the harsh places and roller coaster emotions in the city. Mountains and seas are the places where calmness, happiness and camaraderie could be found and these were the places where these new outreached youths went for work camp in June and July.

First time for residential boys to spend the first week of work camp at Onesimo Farm and Campsite in Matalinting, Sta. Maria, Laguna. They did a lot of work, cropping, and planting, they also worked on building a half court for basketball and mending fences. Most of them expressed their enjoyment in all the farm activities, because for many, it was new experience.

The succeeding week of boys' work camp was done at Camp Rock Puerto Galera. Then, it was followed by girls' batch. A time to experience the 10-day program. It was another success story knowing that the trainees really enjoyed the place and the activities especially the dance workshop. The workshop gave them confidence and enable them to discover their talents and to push their limits to be able to have a good presentation. Lakbay-Aral to Mangyan Community became one of the best parts of the story. They realized the importance of the things they usually ignore and set aside.

At total of Twenty-One (21) new trainees were admitted to the residential program. They were assigned to their respective centers after the Work Camp.



*The boys working on farming, cleaning the road and building a half court.*



## RESIDENTIAL PROGRAM



Girls enjoying the games



Food distribution in a Mangyan Community



## ACCEPTANCE RITES RESIDENTIAL

Twenty Nine (29) new trainees in Residential Program were accepted in a formal rite last August 15, 2017. These youth were the trainees who went through Work Camp program before the ceremony.

They were the youth who decided to stay after the work camp.

They showed their willingness to change and desire to reach their goals through acknowledging that there are people who are willing to help and are willing to be with them as they journey on becoming a better version of themselves.



New Trainees' special number with the Kuyas and Ates

Tatay Bobby giving encouraging message to Amlac Center new trainees



Trainees with their family





## FAMILY RETREAT

Every year, Onesimo Foundation provide time for Fellowship and Retreat for the families of Residential trainees. There were two batches of family retreats held in Camp Rock, Puerto Galera, Mindoro.

The first batch was on October 24 to 26, 2017 where seventy nine (79) participants from the family members of senior trainees attended. Pastor Val Camay of Living Springs Christian Church shared his knowledge about "Pag-unlad ng Pag-uugali ng Tao". He emphasized the value of the person, and learning to accept the different ways a person may behave.

The second batch was for the newly accepted trainees and their families. There were one hundred twenty nine (129) participants. They spent three days in Camp Rock from November 28 to December 1, 2017 with the staff. They were all first timers and really appreciated the beautiful scenery.



*Prayer and contemplation*



*Paracord making with the Tatays*

The parents and the trainees had time for simple livelihood projects that encouraged them to put up small business at home. We conducted workshops on how to make liquid soap, perfume, paracord and bead making facilitated by the staff of Onesimo. They also had recreational activities where they played together with the children and swimming time in the beach. These activities help to re-establish good relationship between parents and children.



*Trainees with their families and staff gather for a picture*

## OTHERS

- The corporate worship gathering is done twice a month. It is presided by the designated residential centers.
- On March 4, 2017 fifteen (15) participants from different centers with their partner churches who attended the DVBS (Daily Vacation Bible School) training at CMS Publishing with the theme: "Fearless"
- Onesimo youth went to a special evangelistic concert presented by the Jubilee Christian Academy held at Ateneo De Manila on March 11, 2017
- Residential staff together with program director Ptr. Dennis Manas and Executive Director Rosa Pecio conducted a pre work camp planning. The first planning happened on March 13, 2017 at Philcoa 2 Center and the second part was on May 16, 2017 at Union Village in Novaliches, Quezon City.
- House Parents, Social Workers and Center Volunteers had their Team Building last March 13, 2017 facilitated by Ptr. Dennis Manas. It aims to develop the team work and their working relationship.
- Five (5) Onesimo Social Workers attended the World Social Worker Day (WSWD) on March 21, 2017 at the Icon Hotel with a theme "Promoting Community and Environment Sustainability". It was a celebration and a forum relating to the third pillar of Global Agenda for Social Work and Social Development.

# ONESIMO ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION PROGRAM (OAEP)



## INSTRUCTIONAL MANAGERS (IM) TRAINING

Each year, an intense one week training seminar is sponsored by Onesimo for trainees and workers who wish to be accredited as Instructional Managers. These are persons in the community tasked with preparing out-of-school youth and even elders to take their Elementary or High School equivalency examinations. OFI invites the CBM and community partner churches to expand their capacity in providing educational assistance to young people who wish to continue their studies but do not have enough money and cannot attend regular school. So, one of the activities of Onesimo Alternative Education Program (OAEP) is to conduct this annual training. In 2017, 45 of those enlisted completed the five-day training. This was held at Onesimo Foundation Inc. last January 9-13, in partnership with DepEd Chief HRDD NEAP, NCR Dr. Trongco and his partner Education Program Supervisor HRDD - NEAP DepED, NCR Dr. Morillos with Education Program Supervisor HRDD - NEAP DepED, NCR and Ms. Vivas.



*Instructional Managers in training*



*Instructional Managers Group Picture*

## SHORT COURSE

Last February to March we had various 17 day vocational training courses that enabled the students in a short time period. These skills can be used as simple ways to earn money. Those from driving class got a chance to have student drivers' permit and those from Massage are able to experience OJT and NCII exam.

SHORT COURSE	NUMBER OF CLIENTS WHO COMPLETED THE COURSE
Cosmetology	17
Driving	26
Massage	14
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>57</b>

## PERSONAL ENHANCEMENT AND LEADERSHIP TRAINING (PELT)

The OAEP conducts year round training for residential trainees called PELT.

The trainees undergoing PELT 2 are kuya and ate who are on their way to the reintegration stage. PELT 2 aims to inspire the youth as they exit the program. PELT 1 is designed for the new trainees.

We hold 2 batches of PELT retreats. The PELT 2 retreat is held in the first half of the year and PELT 1 is held in the 2nd half.

PELT 2 retreat was held at Old Boso-Boso in Antipolo on May 15-17, 2017. The theme of the retreat was "No Fear, Have Faith". The objective of the topic is to find out these 3: "Root of our Fear, Result of our Fear and Resolution to our Fear".

The purpose of this year's PELT level 1 retreat is to help the youth to "Move on" from the things that caused them pain in the past. To let them know that they can "Leave the past, Learn from it, for them to be able to live in the present. This activity held at San Mateo, Rizal Eartheaven Re-creation on November 27-29, 2017

### PELT LEVEL 2

BASIC LITERACY	ELEMENTARY	SECONDARY
Rodolfo Jamer Jr.	Aryln Dalimoos	Jethro Barbas
Rodel Malate		JC Hedriana
Jerome Masbate		Davie Llandelar
Joni Templo		Daniel Solomon
		Jefferson Balarma
		Angelo Delos Reyes



PELT Level 2 Trainees

### PELT LEVEL 1

BASIC LITERACY	ELEMENTARY	SECONDARY
Jhon Marc Dionglay	Ma. Luisa Carable	Gladys Faith Caganda
Mark Vincent Hidalgo	Ronwaldo Coming	Kyle Isaiah Lee Colambot
	Jinarda Rose Fernandez	Angelo Galabin
	Floralyn Floralde	Abegail Genorga
	Bernadette Sumlay	Jerwin Hortillano
	Leamor Telada	Michelle Plutado
		Kenneth Arrofo
		Freddie Aviso
		Dervin Consuelo
		Christalyn Regaspi



Trainees doing the "Pain of the Past" Activity



PELT Level 1 new Trainees

## SCHOLARS BONDING

For most of the school year 2016-2017 Scholars, this was their last bonding. This was their last opportunity to strengthen the wonderful family bond that they were able to build up through years they were scholars. Most of them may say good bye to each other for they are able to complete one of their dreams.

Most of them would now step to another level of life. There would be challenges and harder difficulties that a student wouldn't encounter. But the memories and experiences they shared together would remain and the relationship they build. The place Rizal Recreation Center was exactly what was needed for their bonding; its ambiance contributed to relaxation after a year focused on studying.



*Scholars who are able to continue the program and After Care Social Worker Angel Azarcon*

SCHOLARS	EDUCATION
Oliver T. Españó	4 year Course (Graduated)
Jason E. Bas	4 year Course (Graduated)
Catherine A. Flores	2 year Course (Graduated)
Joana R. Calexterio	2 year Course (Graduated)
John Michael B. Enriquez	College
Ellen Joy Naboya	Grade 12
Joann P. Dalisay	Grade 11 (New )
Jessa May P. Dalisay	Grade 11 (New )
John Mark Romero	Grade 11 (New )

*Two of the scholars were terminated, for they are not able to abide by the rules and regulations for Onesimo Scholars.*

## SKILLS

2017 marked another year of partnership with Eulogio Amang Rodriguez Institute of Technology (EARIST) in skills training. Professor in Electrical and Welding, Professor of Food Preservation and Garments are from the College of Industrial Technology. The Instructor of Housekeeping is from the College of Hospitality and Management. Others are retired professors but still want to extend their service to our youth, Instructor of Short Course is from one of the friends of Onesimo.

As usual, our enrollees in the skills training courses are from the Residential trainees, CBM beneficiaries, and youth from the communities.

## SKILLS GRADUATION

We were granted another year to celebrate the mastery of the trainees in skills training. Student trainees attended the commencement ceremony of the Skills Training Program Class 2017 last December 08, 2017. Residential and CBM program skills graduates rejoiced with this trainees and teachers.



*OAEP Teachers together with the CLT and proud graduates of skills training.*

## OTHERS:

- DepEd replaces essay examination with portfolio evaluation where all the works of the students are recorded and compiled.
- There are currently 12 students in Alternative Delivery Mode (ADM), a government program where students attend school for the whole of Saturdays.
- At the beginning of the year, three trainees from the program enrolled in formal school. But 2 of them decided to leave the program. Only Mark Vincent completed schooling.
- As part of their on the job training 6 students of food preparation skills program went to the Onesimo Campsite, and prepared food for the ground breaking event in June 7.



# THE ONESIMO CHURCH BASED MINISTRY

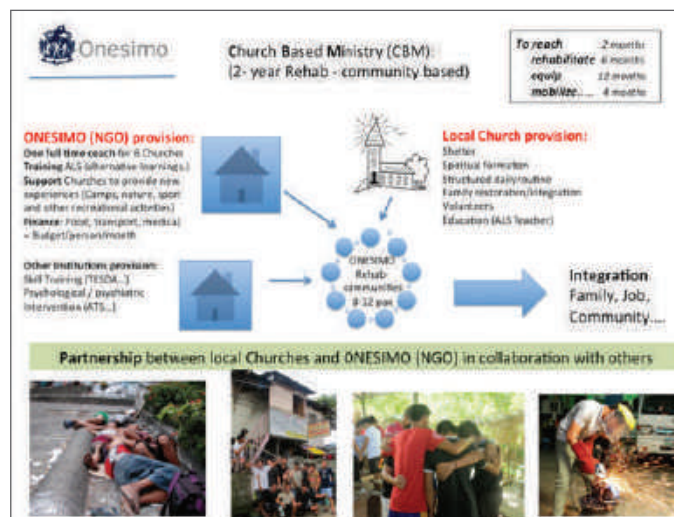
The Church Based Ministry of the Onesimo Foundation was launched in April, 2012 as a companion program to its existing Residential Program.

The program sought to empower many churches which desired to reach youth at risk in their communities and nearby areas. The first batch of 11 churches partnered with Onesimo in 2012. It was successful because of the enthusiasm of the partner churches. Onesimo acted as a resource agency. The partner churches were the program implementers instead of our staff. More churches were added year after year. Now we have thirty five (35) partner churches. The program started with a five (5) man team and now has grown to nine.

Pastors and churches were very excited about this ministry. Majority of them testified that their churches grew because of CBM. Not just the youth became members but also their families. More or less 370 youth at risk from different areas of Metro Manila and nearby communities have been assisted by the program since inception. Three beneficiaries will be graduating from college in summer of 2018.

We faced problems along the way, but the Lord was there to help us overcome those difficulties. Indeed God was with us as we encountered the ups and downs of the ministry. Some unpleasant circumstances have transpired such as abuse, dishonest financial expenditures and deviations from program by some churches. But overall, each hardship, each problem was used by God for the good of all.

**Dennis R. Manas**  
Program Director



## WORK CAMP

### CHURCH YOUTH WORKERS' PREPARATION

This activity was held last May 25 and 26, 2017 at Canaan Christian Campsite in Sta. Maria, Laguna. It was a 2-day training for Church Youth Workers for the actual Work Camp. The program included familiarization in the venue, dry-runs of activities, fellowship and establishing rapport with co-workers.

### WORK CAMP – 6TH BATCH BENEFICIARIES

The Church Based Ministry Program was on its 6th year and still passionate with reaching out to the urban poor youth-at-risk. The Work Camp was held from May 29 to April 2, 2017 at the Canaan Christian Campsite. It is a place away from any kind of self-destructive activities. The youths learned different life skills from workshops because the camp program itself was created to break the usual activities of youth in the streets.

Below is the table presenting the number of outreached youth-at-risk from each church:

PARTNER CHURCH	BENEFICIARIES
International Baptist Church – Pasig	6
Missionary International Sending Church – Marikina	4
Jesus The Heart of Worship – Maricaban Pasay	2
Jesus The Heart of Worship – Las Piñas	6
Loving Family of God Church – Dasmariñas	9
Psalms 23 Christian Church – Llano Caloocan	12
Psalms 23 Christian Church – Sto. Tomas Caloocan	7
Samaritana Transformation Ministries – Fairview	3
Moriah Evangelical Christian Church – Novaliches	9
Jesus Christ Touching Heart Ministries – Navotas	4
Jesus Christ Our Soul Keeper Church – Juan Luna, Tondo	8
Day Spring Baptist Church – Parola, Tondo	11
Day Spring Baptist Church – Baseco, Tondo	8
Life's Journey In Christ Ministry International – Baesa	5
Balara Tabernacle Baptist Church	9
Kaingin Christian Church	5
Freedom In Christ Community Church – Montalban	4
New Hope Christian Church – Payatas	15
Christ the Lord of Harvest Ministries – Montalban	2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>129</b>



*Beneficiaries who participated in the Work Camp, together with the Pastors, Workers and staff.*

## WORK CAMP EVALUATION

### WORK CAMP EVALUATION – CBM STAFF, PASTORS AND WORKERS

The goal of this activity is to evaluate and see the positive and negative outcome of Work Camp Program for the improvement of next year's camp. It was held at Camp Rock, Puerto Galera and took place from July 26 to July 28, 2017. A 3-day activity where they can also have time to relax, refresh and have a rest after 2 months of continuous implementation of program.

## YOUTH GATHERING

This activity constantly meets its purpose for the continuous rehabilitation of beneficiaries. Monthly, youth together with their Pastors or Workers in Quezon City Circle Amphitheatre for the Youth Gathering to respond to the needs through activities and the fellowship itself that helps them build family set-up relationship and opportunities where they can discern their gifts, and be empowered to be effective leaders and servants called by God.

## WORKERS FELLOWSHIP

The Workers Fellowship is an activity to counteract ministry burn out. It is an alternative way to maintain the enthusiasm of Youth Workers in their passion to the ministry by visiting different venues that present great scenery. For this year, we took the Workers to refreshing venues like Palo Alto Falls in Antipolo Rizal and Onesimo Farm and Campsite in Sta. Maria, Laguna.

## PASTORS FELLOWSHIP

Pastors have been called and appointed by God to teach the Bible and to shepherd their flocks, which takes diligence, dedication, time and energy. So we set aside a particular day in a month as a specific time to express our gratitude towards them and endeavour to be a blessing to them.

We make sure there is a fellowship every month. This activity cannot be cancelled or postponed. Pastors continuously need a time to be encouraged, be heard and supported by one another as they share their burdens and struggles in implementing the program. We took the month of October as special opportunity to thank the CBM Pastors for all the work they have done and the leadership they have displayed and to spur them on as a brother in Christ.

## SUMMER YOUTH CAMP

Traditionally held at Camp Rock, Puerto Galera, Mindoro, the Summer Camp is extra special in that the youth can walk away from camp having had a good time, but also growing their relationship with God. It is a get-away activity that explores the interests and passion in life of youths in a deeper way through different activities providing them with a camp filled with inspiration and fun that radically change their lives.

The first batch was held from March 6 to 10 and the second batch was held from March 13 to 17.



*CBM Summer Camp group picture*



*Beneficiaries as they enjoyed the hike in Mt. Malasimbo*





Beneficiaries enjoying the games

## ACCEPTANCE RITES

For the first time in 6 years of CBM Program, the number of youth-at-risk who were acknowledged as official beneficiaries of the CBM Program was higher than the number of outreached youth who attended the Work Camp. Out of 150 youths who were accepted, 129 of them attended the Work Camp while 21 of them are additional youths whom are the proof of willingness to have a change in their lives.



Pastor lighting the candles of new beneficiaries. (Candle lighting means acceptance)



A beneficiary giving testimony

## 4TH BATCH BENEFICIARIES (Program Year 2015-2017)

*End Retreat – Theme: Your Direction Not your Intention will Determine your Destination.*

Another moment of reflection, goal setting and infilling of God's love lighted up our 4th Batch beneficiaries from 14 Churches during their 5-day End Retreat last March 20-24, 2017 at Camp Rock, Puerto Galera. The yearly retreat serves as the beneficiaries' refreshment, orientation and preparation for Mobilization after almost 2 years of undergoing the Rehabilitation and Equipping Phase of the CBM Program. Participated in by 55 beneficiaries (some of them were unable to attend because they already have a job and Skill Assessment) and facilitated by their respective Pastors and Workers, inspired by the yearly theme, "Your Direction, not your Intention determines your Destination".

This activity helped the beneficiaries grasp the importance of reflecting on their previous life experience, knowing and accepting Christ in their life and its effect as they started to plan their new journey and acknowledging the will of our Lord after the CBM Program.



## GRADUATION – 2-YEAR CBM PROGRAM COMPLETION

The CBM Program is not the usual kind of formal education instead it is an open rehabilitation program for Youth-at-Risk. This doesn't need a formal graduation, but we believe that a Graduation and even the ceremony is important for beneficiaries because it is a rite of passage for them who have completed the CBM Program. It is also a beginning of their journey to self-discovery as they unravel what it is they really want to start in life after entering into a relationship with Christ. It is the beginning of their adventures as they let go of their Pastors and Workers embrace and test their wings to live life outside the Church Program. This year's Graduation and Completion Day participated in by Pastors, Workers, Onesimo Staff and friends who witnessed the stepping stone for success of 91 beneficiaries from 15 partner Churches together with their parents. This happened on April 27, 2017 at Ever Gotesco Mall, Cinema 4. Following is a summary of 4th batch graduates.

## CHURCH BASED MINISTRY (CBM)

CHURCH	NUMBER OF GRADUATES
Life's Journey In Christ Ministries International (LJICMI) – F.Carlos	5
Jesus Christ Touching Heart Ministry (JCTHM)– Navotas	7
Jesus Christ Our Soul Keeper Church (JCOSKC)– Tondo	4
Jesus Christ Ministry (JCM)– Kawit Cavite	3
Jesus the Heart of Worship (JTHOW)– Maricaban Pasay	4
Jesus the Heart of Worship (JTHOW)– Las Piñas	5
God's Kingdom Christian Church (GKCC)– Parola Tondo	11
Balara Tabernacle Baptist Church (BTBC)	3
Gethsemane Dweller Church (GDC)	5
Psalms 23 Christian Church (P23CC)– Llano Caloocan	7
International Baptist Church (IBC)– Pasig	5
Missionary International Sending Church (MISC)– Tumana Marikina	4
Freedom In Christ Community Church (FICCC)– Montalban	7
New Hope Christian Church (NHCC)– Payatas	13
Kaingin Christian Church (KCC)- Frisco	8
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>91</b>



CBM Community Group Picture



Ptr. Dennis and the CBM graduate. All smiles.





### FAMILY RETREAT

An annual activity for the families of beneficiaries as part of the Onesimo Family Enrichment Program. It is an intentional time to experience a new awareness of the presence of God. The camp gave them a chance for an encounter with God, with other people, with creation, with personal issues, with their own family and also with self. These experiences gave them an opportunity to get some distance and see things in different perspective and to withdraw from their everyday life in community. From withdrawing to coming back with a renewed relationship and sense of purpose as a family.



Jesus Christ Our Soul Keeper Church (JCOSKC) is one of the 4th Batch of partner churches. It is headed by Pastor Mel Salacup with their youth worker Pastora Jocelyn Stevens. They invited the CBM Team as they celebrated the success of their 10 youth as their 1st batch beneficiaries of CBM program. This happened last March 31, 2017 at the said church located in Perla Street, Tondo, Manila.

### COMMUNITY SERVICE SEPT 8

This first Community Service with the activity entitled "Clean-Up Drive". The goal of this activity was to involve the youth in community service that allowed them give back to their community, from being 'community/barangay trouble maker' to 'community helpers'. These were also part of the goals:

1. Reach out to the nearest community to the Onesimo main training center as part of promoting the existence of the Onesimo Program.
2. Promote cleanliness in Community through Clean-Up Drive Activity
3. Involving the youth in Community Service as part of their prevention program.
4. Promotion of awareness for communities as a different way of rehabilitation.

This happened last September 8, 2017 in partnership with Brgy. Tandang Sora, Quezon City. 108 beneficiaries, 25 Pastors and Workers with the CBM Team participated.

**MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT (MOA) SIGNING AND PROGRAM ORIENTATION**

March, April and May signal an important phase for Onesimo: MOA Signing and Program Orientation, this means another chance of reaching out to urban poor youth-at-risk through the partnership of urban poor churches with Onesimo Foundation. Following is the list of Churches which renewed their partnership and their term status and also the list of new partner churches

3RD TERM	2ND TERM	NEW PARTNER CHURCHES
-IBC PASIG	-MISC Tumana	-LFOGC Dasmariñas
-JHOW MARICABAN	-P23CC Llano	-P23CC Sto Tomas
-JHOW LAS PINAS	-JCOSKC Tondo	-MECC Novaliches
-JCCTHM Navotas	-DBCI Parola	-STM Fairview
-FCCC Montalban	-BTBC Balara	-DBCI Baseco
	-LJCMF Carlos	
	-KCC Frisco	
	-NHCC Payatas	
	-CLHM San Mateo	

**CHURCH EVALUATION**

An annual evaluation from January to February for Churches who are in the Mid-Program and Churches who are about to end the Term. For Mid-program, the evaluation serves as the time to know how they are doing after almost a year of program implementation. For churches who are about to end the term, the evaluation serves as the time of discernment if they still have an intention to renew their partnership. Their approval for renewal is based on the effectivity of program implementation for almost 2 years of the term. 14 Churches committed to another 2-year term. Unfortunately 2 churches were unable to continue the CBM program in their church because they were unable to provide committed youth workers essential for the ministry.

**CBM TEAM EVALUATION AUGUST 10-11**

After 5 years of CBM Program, we've come to a decision to conduct a team evaluation. It happened last August 10-11, 2017 in Tagaytay City, an overnight activity for CBM Staff as part of the continuous development for each staff's effectiveness in the CBM Program. Its objective is to evaluate the individual performance in program implementation, a time to raise suggestions and opinions that will help improve the individual's relationship to the team, improve the team's decision-making in implementing the agreed rules, policies, etc., and also to evaluate the previous schedule and major activities such as: Purchasing of Churches' Needs, Workers Retreat, 6th Batch Work Camp and Acceptance Rites.

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## COMMISSIONING DAY

Last March 11, 2017 we had our Leaders' Commissioning Day at Onesimo Building. It was attended by 38 Leaders from 3 partner Churches and Onesimo Youth Leaders. This fellowship is in preparation for our Summer Youth Camp 2017. We were blessed to have Marcjay Bartolome Loyola as our speaker who was a former camper and leader in one of our camps. He shared how he came into a relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ as a camper and his growth as a leader. Now he is active in God's ministry as a Pastor. It was also a time of affirmation as the leaders wrote words of good traits that they have observed in their co-leaders. We thank the Lord and the victory of His ministry through our camps.



*Appreciation is a wonderful thing. It makes what is excellent in others belong to us as well. - Voltaire*



*Youth Leaders from JCIS, OBCC, IRM and Onesimo*



*Marcjay shares his camp testimony and how our camps has inspired him*

## SUMMER YOUTH CAMP (SYCO) 2017

This year was a big leap of faith in our camps. Before our Leadership training in December, Puerto Galera and some parts of Mindoro were badly damaged by a typhoon. It was a tragic experience since it happened before Christmas. The storm left some of our facilities at Camp Rock damaged. So we needed to move and compress our training schedule. After 20 years in camps, this is the only time it happened. But still we are thankful that God's work is more powerful than any storms we face. He calms the storms like He calms our hearts and mind to trust Him more in an unpredictable situation.

During our Summer Camp we were shaken by an earthquake and aftershocks during the second night of our first batch. A few campers felt it but no one panicked. We were awake all night because there was a series of aftershocks and we monitored the news updates. Although the center of the earthquake was in Tingloy, Batangas still it was near the beach of Puerto Galera. And after that night the campers had a prayer time before the major activity in the morning. We also informed them what we needed to do and where to go in case we needed to evacuate the place. But we knew that time; God had prepared that place for us as He protected us.

But even so, the calamity didn't hinder the excitement of the youth.

SYCO 2017 youth camp theme is STEP UP and be IBA (IBA stands for Improved, Braved and Ashamed no more) the theme is to encourage youth to step up and not be afraid to dream. We also wanted to encourage them to stand up for their faith in Jesus and not be hindered by their past mistakes. Everyone had a chance to change and hope for their future. As God's promise in Isaiah 40:29-31 "He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak. Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall; but those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength."

### **SYCO DELEGATION:**

1st Batch : IRM – I am Redeemer and Master Evangelical Church, Monumento

2nd Batch : OBCC – Old Balara Christian Church, Old Balara Quezon City

3rd Batch : JCIS – Jesus Christ is Savior, Malabon

4th Batch : Onesimo Outreach



*The great thing about new friends is that they bring new energy to your soul. - Shanna Rodriguez*



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Teamwork is at the heart of great achievement. - John C. Maxwell



Prayer should be the key of the day and the lock of the night. - George Herbert

"Pray continually." 1 Thess. 5:17  
Evangelistic Night, a time to commit our life to our Lord



God is fighting your battles. Arranging things in your favor and making a way even when you don't see a way. - unknown



### TESTIMONIES:

#### NOTES FROM YOUTH LEADERS

Spending my week in Puerto Galera was one of the greatest experiences not just because of the happiness and enjoyment we've cherished but also because of God's presence that motivated us to fulfill the tasks and duties He assigned us to do. The whole program of events was undeniably great and successful despite the bad weather. Every activity was suited to improving our leadership skills. They not only enhanced our physical strength but also improved our intellectual capability, molded our emotional aspect, and elevated our spiritual faith. The conducted activity embraced a lot of insights and learnings that only God can teach. The whole leadership training was definitely priceless.

I hope this program will continue to encourage youth from different churches and to train and preserve youth for the future. I am a living testimony on how my mind was changed to become a good leader for God. All I have today, I give back the glory to our Lord Jesus Christ. *-Annabel Amongo, JCIS*

I like singing and dancing. Badminton is my preferred sport. Before, when I hardly knew God my life was a mess. I always hung out at computer shops and played computer games. I was also lazy in house chores and I didn't follow my parents. And most of the time I annoyed my younger sibling. This habit went on every day. I came to know the Lord I was depressed with what was going on in my life. I was invited by my brother to attend their church. There I felt God's presence, I cried while singing praise and worship songs recalling how my life has been. I got to know the Lord more when I attended summer camp at Puerto Galera. I learned so many things about the Bible from the morning Devotions but most of all I felt God's love. I got to know myself more and the true meaning of love. I received a new perspective about life and am now a youth who has so many dreams. I want to be a singer and dance in our church. I want to serve the Lord and offer Him praise. Thank God I came to know Him during the time I was weak and confused and I didn't know what to do. I am also thankful that our Church is part of Onesimo camp because I got to know other youth like me. And I'm also thankful for our cell leader who shared God's word. Thank you to SYCO for the opportunity given us that we were able to see the beauty of Puerto Galera. *- Romiel Tubice, 17 years old, IRM*

#### CAMPERS:

I'm living in Caloocan City. I like playing computer games and playing guitar and drums. I became a born again Christian when I was in Grade 2. But I did not have a deep relationship with God. I had so many vices like drinking liquor night until morning and I also cut classes. Before I thought that once you are a Christian you are already saved, but it's not enough. When I learned about Summer Youth Camp that will take place at Puerto Galera and I was invited, I received a deeper meaning about God. The experience that I won't forget is the War Game. Because of that game I learned sportsmanship and accepting loss. There have been so many changes in me and my life since I've known our Lord Jesus Christ. And from then on I resisted my friends when they invite me to drink and I'm focus on my studies now. I am also playing guitar and drums for the Lord. Thank you very much to SYCO because it helped me to have a deeper relationship with God. I hope you will continue to help young people like me. *- Marc Lance Trance, 16 years old, IRM*

I was a Catholic but I don't have a deep understanding of my religion before. I go to church when I want to especially during Christmas season because my friends are there. I had so many vices also when I did not know the Lord. Almost every day I would drink liquor and even tried smoking cigarettes. When someone invited me to their church I just attended but I was not serious with it because it will not change me. When joined the Summer Youth Camp, there I began to know the Lord. I have learned to be humble to the people I encounter. I am thankful that the Lord made a way for me to know Him. And from then on I resisted any vices and I also want to help my friends. This is now one of my goals as a Christian that I would like my friends to know the

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Lord also because I don't want to be selfish. If God gave me a way to know Him I will use myself for my friends to know God. And because I also know how to sing and dance I will use my talent for the Lord. I am also thankful for Onesimo because of SYCO I have a deeper knowledge of God. - *Ria Jessica De Vera, 17 years old*

### FRIENDSHIP DAY

It was an afternoon of fellowship and showcase of talents as the youth from CBM and Residential showed off their respective presentations. There were dance, theater, mime and interpretative dance. We were also blessed to witness Lighthouse Community, Onesimo Bulilit, Discovery Team and IVCF Trekker's presentations. There were also Philippine Games where our guests from Discovery Team and IVCF joined. With our theme "Fiesta sa Onesimo" it was an afternoon full of celebration. We also had a Bazaar where products made by our youth and products from Matalinting Farm were sold.

This was held last July 21, 2017 at Amoranto Theater in Quezon City. There were a total of 516 attendees who took time to celebrate our 21 years of Onesimo.



*Bryne Louie Layoso and Noemi Simeon hosted the whole afternoon*

*Sing praises to God, sing praises; Sing praises to our King, sing praises. Psalm 47:6*



*There were also Philippine games that our visitors enjoyed*



*Onesimo staff made extra effort to dress up for this event... all smiles*

## SPORTSFEST

This year's Sportsfest was again held at Amoranto Sports Complex. It was an intense six days event as the teams competed with one another. But it is not only a competition event but also to create awareness on how to take care of our body. Our theme for this year is "Be fit for Christ" and our theme verse is "For physical training is of some value, but godliness has value for all things, holding promise for both the present life and the life to come." 1 Timothy 4:8.

There were a total of 31 teams for Basketball, 6 teams for Volleyball, 47 players for Badminton, 39 players for Track-and-field, 18 players for Chess, 35 players for Dart and 15 players for Swimming. This is our first Swimming competition and the participants were excited. Hopefully next year there will be more players in this sport.

The winners of each game are:

### 1. Track-and Field:

#### **100 M. (women)**

3rd Place: Renzy May Cazteñeda (Bagong Silang Girls)

2nd Place: Rina Mae Sas (Mendez)

1st Place: Geralyn Gellangarin (Mendez)

#### **200 M. (women)**

3rd Place: Jennilyn Ocum (Cluster 5)

2nd Place: KC Sagun (Mendez)

1st Place: Arlyn Dalimoos (Bagong Silang Girls)

#### **200 M. (men)**

3rd Place: Juncel Campos (Tondo)

2nd Place: Daniel Garcia (Tondo)

1st Place: Jeffrey Gade (Loving Family of God Church)

#### **400 M. (men)**

3rd Place: John Ed Mingo (Cluster 3 Psalm 23)

2nd Place: Daniel Garcia (Tondo)

1st Place: John Rafael Nuñez (Tondo)

#### **Relay (women)**

3rd Place: (Psalm 23) Jeraldine Alberto, Charie Lyn Acopiado, Analyn, Maurine Ambay

2nd Place: (Mendez) Daniela Arroyo, Jinarda Rose Fernandez, Mary Rose Agno, Geralyn Gellangarin

1st Place: (Bagong Silang) Renzy Mae Cazteñeda, Joana Dalisay, Loraine Salinas, Arlyn Dalimoos

#### **Relay (men)**

3rd Place: (Tondo) Daniel Solomon, Mark Benzon, Juncel Campos, Ramer

2nd Place: (KCC/Cluster 5) Vincent Pi, Jomar Capili, Martin Cabildo, Reymond Basijan

1st Place: (Psalm 23) Andrew Alcanar, Rostom Canales, Randy Palada, Mario



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### 1. Volleyball

3rd Place: Bagong Silang Girls  
2nd Place: Cluster 3  
1st Place: Mendez Girls

MVP: Geralyn Gellangarin (Mendez)

Mythical Team

1. Abigail Geñorga (Bagong Silang Girls)  
2. Jennilyn Ocum (Cluster 5)  
3. Charie Lyn Acopiado (Cluster 3)  
4. Marry Jane Laca (Cluster 2)  
5. Mary Joy Lobrigo (Mendez)

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### 2. Basketball

3rd Place: ABC Hulo  
2nd Place: Galileans  
1st Place: Psalm 23

Mythical Team

1. Arthur Pader Jr. (Amlac)  
2. Andrew Alcanar (Psalm 23)  
3. Greg Vincent Estrellanes (Galileans)  
4. Nathaniel  
5. Legaspi (Psalm 23)

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### 3. Badminton

Women singles:

3rd Place: Glenda Dela Cruz (KCC)  
2nd Place: Arlyn Dalimoos (BS Girls)  
1st Place: Jerrie Acheron (MISC)

Men singles:

3rd Place: Laurence Espiritu (Amlac)  
2nd Place: Christian Gersalina (GFCBC)  
1st Place: Jerrie Acheron (MISC)

Doubles men:

1st Place: Peter Rocabo

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### 4. Darts

2nd Place: Anthony Rama  
1st Place: Pastor Richard Guillermo

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### 5. Swimming

Relay winners:

John Ed Mingo  
Ramon Abadian  
Davie Clandelar  
Geralyn Gellangarin

Boys:

2nd Place: Gerald (B. Silang )  
1st Place: Rodmark Palibino

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### 6. Chess

3rd Place: Jomarie Sartin (SJHCF-San Jose)  
2nd Place: Bill Warren Galgana (JHOW, LP)  
1st Place: Harzel Mingote (SJHCF- San Jose)

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The youth as they cheer for their favorite Basketball team



Swimming is one of the most enjoyed sports in Sportsfest



Basketball and Volleyball games



One of the well-loved sports is Badminton



Dart Games

## FAMILY FUN DAY

It was indeed a day full of fun as families of both Residential and CBM youth gathered together to celebrate the holiday season. A total of 791 attendees squeezed in at Barangay Bahay Toro Covered Court on December 14. With our theme "Isang Pamilya Tayo sa Onesimo" (In Onesimo We are One Family). The six (6) CBM Clusters and one (1) Residential Youth gave their best in their presentations. And we were also privileged to have as our judges Ferdie Garay, Lalay Arizala and Josh Rodriguez although they had a hard time choosing who among the 7 groups would be winners. Still they were able to tally the winners: 3rd place was Cluster 4, 2nd place was Cluster 5 and the winner is the Residential Youth.



*Praise and Worship time before the start of the program*

*Christmas grocery giving to beneficiaries and their families*



There were also raffles and games which everyone enjoyed. And it was also time to bless the families of our beneficiaries as they received gift bags to take home with Gardenia Bread. Gardenia Company donated 500 loaves of bread, more than enough for all the families. We also enjoyed the fellowship and heart moving message of Dr. Jennifer (Poy) Aguilar as he shared his personal testimony and how the Lord had used him for His glory. It was also a time for those who wanted to receive Christ as their personal Savior. Food was served that everyone appreciated. Thank you to all who had been behind this event. Jesus Christ's in you was indeed felt.



## LEADERSHIP TRAINING

Delegation – Leadership Training December 26-30, 2017

	Delegation	# of Participants
B. Silang Boys	Center Assign	12
Richard	Houseparent	1
Tondo Center	Outreach youth leader	1
Amlac Center	Outreach youth leader	1
B. Silang Girls	Outreach youth leader	2
Mendez Girls	Outreach youth leader	3
Jesus Christ Is Savior	Partner Church	12
I Am Redeemer - Monumento	Partner Church	12
Old Balara Christian Church	Partner Church	11
Luzon Living Faith Church	Partner Church	11
ABC – Antioch, B. Silang, CMC	Partner Church	11
Hazel	Staff Leader	2
Chat, Kim, facilitators	Staff	4
Kitchen	Staff	3
Joeriel, Arlyne	Staff	3
Pastor Dennis	Program Director	8

The Leadership Training this year was so colorful with our theme inspired by the life of Moses. The games and activities are like the life journey of Moses, how he was called and came to know the Lord personally. As the leaders reflected on the life of Moses they shared some insights.

"First, I need to be consistent in my devotion and prayer life." – *David Alcayde*

"He does not like that we work alone, but with a team." – *Jam*

"During the Adventure walk I learned to appreciate the true beauty of nature and I felt God's protection all throughout." – *Mark Joseph Adane*

"I am more amazed of God how He works in my life even in unexpected times." – *Ruzelle Miralles*

It was a blessing also to have two professional experienced photographers during our training, Chat and Kim who created a Video presentation of the said training. It was our first video and the leader's reaction was priceless as they saw themselves in action. We were also inspired and came to experience a bit of Egypt during our Fiesta Night when the session hall was decorated with props that the leaders prepared. And everyone made an effort to dress up and brought their costumes. The presentations were also awe-inspiring.

Although we have already done Moses theme in our camps still everyone has their unique approach in line with the youth of today's generation. They always came up with new ideas and enhanced what was at hand to have a meaningful and exciting camp.



# OTHER ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND ACTIVITIES

## STAFF IN HOUSE TRAINING

Demoralized staff! This is the concern to be addressed when the team management decided to hold a team building activity in Camp Rock, Puerto Galera last Feb. which was Onesimo's first staff team building activity engaged by its 36 employees.

The leadership grabbed it as an opportunity for the employees to enjoy Camp Rock, most especially to those who rarely have a chance to visit the place.

The invited facilitators made the team building lively and enjoyable through games and reflection activities that they have prepared. This indeed brought renewed spirit amongst us! It was tiring yet gave us more energy to perform our ministry and work at Onesimo.



*The staff playing at the shore*



## STAFF SABBATICAL

Sabbath is a privilege given by Onesimo to its staff. A time to rest and relax. It is a yearly scheduled/ planned trip for three days going out of town or other no work related activities. This is usually done by department at their chosen place and schedule.

This year, Residential and CBM decided to stroll and enjoyed the famous places around Quezon Province that they have never been before.

While Admin Department went to Tagaytay for a day hike trip and strolling. The Education department simply enjoyed their time together with foods.

## COMMUNITY DAY

It is the integration of the entire community of Onesimo which gives young people especially the new ones in the program an opportunity to experience and enjoy some well-known places inside and outside the Metro is scheduled twice a year.

For this year, we visited Avilon Zoo, Noah's Ark Resort (March 2, 2017) Gardenia Bread Factory and Enchanted Kingdom (August 4, 2017). We can't compensate the feelings and happiness seen from everyone's face. The enjoyment was all real, those genuine smile and laughter are one of the reasons why Onesimo is still reaching out for more youth.



Picture with Trixie the monkey at Avilon Zoo



Client's different reactions and facial expressions at Enchanted Kingdom's Anchors Aweigh



Onesimo Community (August 4, 2017)



## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Onesimo Foundation, Inc. Annual General Meeting was held at the OFI Training Center at Tandang Sora, Ave. on June, 2017.

Quezon City Vice Mayor Josefina (Joy) Belmonte and 3rd District Councilor Gian Carlo Sotto were our guest speakers. They expressed their approval for Onesimo's youth and rehabilitation program. They informed us of their own advocacies among the youth and victims of illegal drugs trade.

The OFI Board presented its decisions and resolutions for 2016 to the assembly. The staff and leaders of the different programs then presented their accomplishments for the year.

Four youth from Residential and CBM gave their testimonies and thanksgiving. The Executive Director Rosa Pecio then presented plans to acquire property to house the youth at risk girls, to strengthen partnership with 36 churches in the CBM, to continue the development of Onesimo Farm and Camp facility in Laguna, to have a more effective service for trainees and beneficiaries and to have a focused Staff Training and Development.

The assembly thanked Ptr. Benjamin Polidario for his service as Executive Director for 5 years. Mr. Simon Fankhauser stepped down as member of Onesimo and was replaced by Mr. Patrick Indlekofer.

Josefina Gutierrez and Eugene Villanueva completed their three year term as member of the Board of Trustees. But, the membership of Onesimo nominated them and elected them once again to the Board of Trustees.



*Staff's appreciation to Pastor BG and staff's recital of Foundations "Mission"*



*Pastor Dennis Opening Remarks*



*Onesimo members prayed for Vice Mayor Joy Belmonte and Councilor Gian Sotto*



## FIRST AID TRAINING

First Aid Training Seminar was held last September 6, 2017 at Onesimo Foundation Training Center. It was a whole day seminar attended by the staff and facilitated by Accredited Trainers. The training equipped the staff on promoting health, injury management and illness, and to lower loss lives during sudden disasters. The instructors provided lecture materials, audio visual presentation and hands on practice in bandaging and CPR.

This is vital for the Onesimo staff to have knowledge on this especially most are always with the trainees.



Staff learning different kinds and ways of tying bandage

## STAFF PLANNING

Staff Annual Planning was held at CDC Tagaytay, a 4-day planning of Onesimo activities for the year 2018. It was facilitated by Ms. Juliet Andaya (Onesimo Bulilit's Executive Director) and Mr. Fernando Garay (Onesimo Bulilit's Administrator). It was one of the concentrated planning of Onesimo in preparation for the OFI application for accreditation with the Department of Social Work and Development (DSWD).



Discussion of activities for 2018



Ate Juliet Andaya, helping the staff on classifying what was written in the metacards



Presentation of work per group

## STAFF CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Staff Christmas party was held at Cabalen Restaurant, last December 20th. The staff joyfully exchanged gifts with their Monitos and Monitas. There were also recognitions and appreciations to the staff who have exemplary performance accomplishments."



## STAFF RETREAT

After 4 days of intensive planning in CDC Tagaytay, Onesimo staff went out of town not just to relax but to reflect and deepen the relationship with one another. This is also their time to retreat, put aside a lot of responsibilities just to refresh and recharge. Traditionally, this happens every last week of the month of September. This year, the location is in Rizal Re-creation Center in Laguna.



### STAFF DEVELOPMENTAL TRAINING

For more powerful and productive service for the youth and community, Onesimo came up with a training reside will enhance staff capability on handling their specific tasks and rediscovering their inner potential that will establish Onesimo's firmness to its goal. The training started in the early part of the year and was scheduled to be done twice a month. The Facilitator of the training is Teofilo Lajarca an Accredited Life Coach Family Therapist/Counselor and Licensed Psychometrician.

### OTHERS

- Onesimo submitted the required documents for pre-accreditation assessment by DSWD in November. It includes center visitation and documents checking. Hopefully will be recommended for the accreditation by DSWD-central in 2018. We expect this to be a long and comprehensive process.
- The admin department had their annual financial audit last February.
- DSWD pre-assessed Onesimo program and facilities in preparation for accreditation.

# ONESIMO FARM AND CAMP

It was a hectic 2017 for Matalinting Onesimo Farm and Campsite project. The progress of the project can be seen in the following highlights wherein we see God's favor all the ways we can imagine.

- We saw God's hand in the beginning of our farm training in Sloping Agricultural Land Technology (SALT). The technology challenged our old ways and invited us to embrace a new way of farming which allowed us not to think only about production and profit but also conservation of the environment.
- We saw God's hand in the resources we received for the development of the farm and campsite. Timely arrival of funds for the purchase of our needed equipment; for the river water source for our farming needs through a "green technology", the rampump system.
- We saw God's hand in our new beginnings during the last month of the year from the start of the construction of our Main Farm House & Visitors' House. We can accept more trainees and campers upon completion.
- We saw God's hand through the visitors and campers that have been with us, encouraging us as well, as we continue to develop the farm & campsite to be a venue for city folks to experience nature & get their hands dirty in the farm.

We are hoping that God's provision will continue in the years to come!

**Efren W. Roxas**

OFC Manager



ONESIMO FARM AND CAMP INVENTORY OF TREES

ORIGINAL

TREES	NUMBER
Mango 1	33
Mango 2 ( Indian)	20
Lanzones	17
Santol	29
Dalandan	29
Guyabano	28
Kasuy	31
Chico	1
Castañas	1
Durian	2
Avocado	1
Coconuts	80
Banana 1 (Saba)	114
Banana 2(tondan)	11
Star Apple	2
Jackfruit	25
Cacao	2
Rambutan	9
Bayabas	21
Duhat	1
Sampaloc	2
Pineapple	268
Papaya	1
Passion fruit	3

NEWLY PLANTED TREES THIS YEAR, 2017

TREES	NUMBER
coconut trees	100
black pepper	500
coffee trees	800
cacao trees	29
lansones	9
Mangoosteen	8
Native trees – narra, alibangbang, etc.	
Nitrogen Fixing Trees & Shrubs Nursery	
Forages for goats	
Variety of vegetables	

## FARM VISITS

The farm started receiving Onesimo staff for short visits. These visits are very important in order for all OFI stakeholders to get the feel of the farming experience and hopefully they will come to the farm regularly to be involved.

We also have started a short work camp 2-3 days for small groups in our network/partners to be involved in farming activities.

GROUPS	NO. OF PARTICIPANTS
Jesus The Life Giver Church	12
Kaibigang Puno & Pheng	2
Jena Diwa & Eric Roxas	2
Residential Work Camp	34
CBM Cluster 2	20
JLGCC	10
LSCC Pajo Couples	29
CBM Workers	40
Pastor Dennis Church	15

GROUPS	NO. OF PARTICIPANTS
Jesus The Mediator	17
SMK- Sta Maria Organic	9
SYCO leaders	11
Manggahan Bible Church	39
Nick Joaquin Senior High	15
Psalms 23/ Mt. Moriah Church	20
LSCC Militar	9
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>304</b>

## ONESIMO FARM AND CAMP (OFC) GROUND BREAKING

We held a ground breaking ceremony in June 7. Onesimo Staff, partner churches, local government officials and environmental groups came to show support for the vision and goals of the Onesimo Farm and Camp. Very soon after the ground breaking an outpouring of financial support from Onesimo Donors enabled us to start farming in earnest and to start building the facilities that will support the aims of the OFC.



## RAM PUMP COMMISSIONING

The Ram Pump project was installed successfully. This was the first phase of the water system plan. The ram pump is pumping water to a height of 80 meters above the river. The supply pipes are located 350 meters distance from the river. It is providing 1 liter of water per 16 seconds. The water it would supply will be enough for our present needs in cleaning, bathroom, farming and camping needs. This means we will only rely on the local water supply for cooking & drinking needs.

During worst water shortage, we can install good filtration system so that we can use the pumped river water as all-purpose water.

On top of all benefits mentioned, we are saving on electrical or energy consumption and very low maintenance cost because it only uses natural force of the river to push the water up the highpoint of the land.

## BUILDING CONSTRUCTION

The processing for building permits was facilitated by our Board Member, Frankie G. There were few hindrances in the beginning but all ended well with a permit after a month of processing.

Building starts in November 26

The long wait finally came to an end, and the building program began. ADDTECH, the contractor who built Onesimo Bulilit center was awarded the contract. Our very own Frankie (Board) and Merdy Guadayo (his wife) were designated as construction project managers.



## CHRIS VISITS MANILA IN OCTOBER

Chris met with other stakeholders in preparation for the awarding of the contract of the two buildings (Manager and Visitors house and the Main Farm House)

He also was involved in the planning of the Multi-purpose Building. He was largely responsible for bringing in architect Lily Boral in place of the former architect.

## FARM STAFF DEVELOPMENT & TRAININGS

### STUDY TOUR

The whole team of OFC learned a lot by visiting several model farms.

- Costales farm in Majayjay, Laguna. It is a model farm for its successful business enterprise and farm tourism accreditation. It boasts a total production of 20 tons of vegetables every month, and has been earning enough to support 100 farm workers and staff.
- Alaminos Goat Farm in Alaminos, Laguna is a big dairy farm selling goat's milk in their premises and as per info we gather, they have 10,000 head in the farm. We have seen a bit of the farm and gathered some info from the caretaker. We have observed the big forage area planted for goat feed.
- Ato Belen Farm in San Pablo, Laguna, is a big fruit farm & nursery. They are an accredited Agriculture training institute in organic farming majoring in fruit trees. Their training expertise is in the area of seedling production. The technologies include grafting, etc.
- Kwarto Marias Farm in Victoria, Oriental Mindoro is an awardee because of its achievement to be the most productive integrated farm in the country. Jonjon Sarmiento shared with us his heart in developing his small farm by putting energy and sacrifices, balancing economy and ecology, sociopolitical and cultural factors in his farming development.

We have also had some team building times in Camp Rock where we stayed. A good time of rest as well after long hours of travel in the beautiful island of Mindoro.





### **BASIC INTEGRATED ORGANIC AGRICULTURE TRAINING**

Raymond Silverio and Joseph Gavia finished the basic training on Integrated Organic Farming System in Costales Farm in December. They came home with enthusiasm to apply what they learned and incorporate it with what they have been doing especially in Vermiculture production and Indigenous Micro Organism (IMO) making and its benefits to agriculture.

### **GRAFTING TECHNOLOGY**

Farmers Dennis & Gringgo attended a course in Sta Cruz, Laguna to learn the basics of grafting needed for our fruit farming & nursery.

### **NEWLY ACQUIRED SHREDDER MACHINE & WATER TANKS**

We purchased stainless steel tanks with 3+ cubic meters capacity each to augment our reserves for the water needs of the farm.

The shredder machine is to be used for Vermicomposting, and goat feed production.

We want to achieve a full capacity for our vermicast (organic fertilizer) production and a sure way is to produce more materials. Having a shredder is also a good preparation for our goat feed production next year as we are preparing to start Goat raising in April, 2018.



### **CAMPING SITE DEVELOPMENT**

After the construction of the buildings began we transferred the camp site to a new area. The tents were moved beside the faith garden. We built one more comfort room and shower. An obstacle course was started in the activity area. A hanging rope bridge was the first to be completed.

# AFTERCARE

## ACTIVITIES

Indeed, God's provision and guidance manifested in Onesimo Foundation. Many teenagers received blessings through various programs. For this year, we have 15 trainees who went back to their own families and worked in decent job.

DATE	ACTIVITIES	ACCEPTED CLIENT	CLIENTS DISCHARGED	JOB	SCHOOL
January– March	Monthly Kumustahan Fellowship		Rogie Rambacasa	Baker (Julies Bakeshop-Makati)	
April	the other scholars, Georgia Pallarao, John Michael Enriquez and Vina Gallero are instructed to complete requirements for the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) augmentation support and assistance on their school expenses	Phobie Annalyn Ronwaldo Onel Tangpos	Jimuel Marvin Alto horry  BJ  Alex	Water station attendant Baker  Assistant Driver of San Miguel Corporation  Construction job	Grade 7 student, provided by his mother.       Oliver, Jayson Bas, Joana Calexterio and Catherine Flores graduated in College
October				Bernadette works at RA Ragata as liaison officer	
December	December 22, 2017 Christmas party (20 participants), venue Philcoa area.		Annalyn Floralde Floralyn Floralde	Canteen Helper	

## LIFE STORIES

### ONEL LORICA

Onel Lorica was a former street dweller. He related that his life before Onesimo was very difficult. He used to stay in the street and absorbed all the negative behavior. Through the help of a concerned citizen, he was referred to the program of Onesimo Foundation. Then, his life gradually improved through various trainings given to him.

He was an elementary undergraduate but through the assistance of Onesimo he was equipped with skills training in electrical, welding, and House Keeping with NCII (National Certificate level 2). Now the equipping relationship was finished. He is back with his family as a responsible and good provider. He currently works as a construction helper.

### RONWALDO COMING

Ronwaldo Coming was referred by the Social Service Development Department (SSDD) for a month long Diversion Program. He lived under the bridge in Balintawak, Quezon City. He admitted that he was a former by-stander and used to engage in various vices in the community. He entered into extra-marital relationship at a very young age. He had fathered a son but he could not provide for his needs so the child was entrusted to his grandmother.

Ronwaldo said that even his parents could not control him. Until the time that he was apprehended by the authorities because of direct assault against a Person in Authority, Alarm and Scandal, Violation of C.O 5121 (Illegal Possession of Deadly Weapon), Violation of Sec. 28 (g) of R.A 10591 (Comprehensive Law on Firearms and Ammunition).

Ronwaldo described his life as a mess. Nobody trusted him and he was fed up because of his situation. He was forced to follow rules and regulations in the correction center of (SSDD) until he was referred to Onesimo for the diversion program. According to Ronwaldo, he observed the family approach of Onesimo wherein he felt the concern and love of the people around him. He said that this ambiance is very unusual because he did not grow-up with this kind of environment. In two years' stay in the program, Ronwaldo was able to adopt to the routine of Onesimo. He enjoyed the programs in the center, like devotions, doing household chores, doing creative handicrafts and many more. He mentioned that his self-confidence was established through the services like education, skills, counseling and recreational activities that he had never experienced before.

Currently, Ronwaldo is planning to marry Michelle Plutado, also a former trainee of Onesimo. He used his skill as a driver and able to start a family with a decent source of living.



# FINANCIAL REPORT

**ONESIMO FOUNDATION INC.**  
**FINANCIAL REPORT**  
**January 1 to December 31, 2017**

<b>RECEIPTS BY ORIGIN</b>	<b>AMOUNT IN PHP</b>	<b>PERCENT</b>
Servants Switzerland	35,243,169	88.15%
Bethesda Sisters Basel	1,774,500	4.44%
Dr Claude Rothen	1,014,000	2.54%
Germany: AFEK: Arbeitsgemeinschaft	1,062,321	2.66%
Reichelsheimer Fellowship (Germany)	585,889	1.47%
Foreign Friends and Visitors	145,000	0.36%
Local donations and other receipts	122,192	0.31%
Bank Interest	34,959	0.09%
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>39,982,031</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

<b>USAGE OF FUNDS BY PROGRAM</b>	<b>(in thousand pesos)</b>	
Church-Based Ministries	16,749,621.70	16,750
Disaster victim and Humanitarian assistance	103,487.86	103
Daily Vacation Bible School	90,064.69	90
Family Camps	574,082.83	574
Work Camp	557,583.64	558
Youth Camp	1,033,651.82	1,034
Onesimo Camp/Farm	687,285.01	687
Youth Training/Rehabilitation Phase	7,866,119.16	7,866
Program workers salaries and wages	8,398,027.63	8,398
Onesimo Extension Program/After care	103,026.85	103
Development of volunteers and staff	261,455.25	261
Promotions/Publications/Networking/Resourcing	289,513.51	289
Depreciation Expenses of Program Properties	1,436,569.41	1,437
<b>TOTAL PROGRAM ACTIVITIES COST</b>	<b>38,150,489.36</b>	<b>38,150</b>

## FINANCIAL REPORT

<b>USAGE OF FUNDS, ADMIN</b>	<b>(in thousand pesos)</b>	
Utilities (Electricity/Water/Telephone)	131,497.28	131
Admin salaries and wages and benefits	1,248,424.95	1,248
Professional fees	6,720.00	6
Taxes and Licenses	500.00	1
Office Supplies and Printing	36,569.19	37
Transportation	6,849.06	7
Repairs and Maintenance - Office	24,906.61	25
Staff Development	118,810.28	119
Depreciation - Admin Capital Expenditures	257,263.88	257
<b>TOTAL ADMIN EXPENSES (INCL. DEPRECIATION)</b>	<b>1,831,541.25</b>	<b>1,831</b>

### SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENSES

Total Receipts	39,982,031
Less:	
Cost of Program Activities	38,150,489
Admin Expenses (incl. depreciation)	1,831,541
Total Usage	<u>39,982,031</u>
RECEIPTS OVER USAGE	<u><u>0</u></u>

### FINANCIAL POSITION AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2017

(in million pesos)

Assets		
Cash	10	9,919,041
Receivables and other assets	13	13,252,037
Property and Equipment (net of depreciation)	54	53,832,856
Total Assets	<u>77</u>	<u>77,003,934</u>
Liabilities and Fund Balances		
Accounts Payables	6	5,610,183
Fund Balance	71	71,393,751
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	<u>77</u>	<u>77,003,934</u>

## FINANCIAL REPORT

<b>CAMP ROCK FOUNDATION, INC.</b> <b>(AMOUNTS IN THOUSAND PESOS)</b> <b>YEAR 2017</b>
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### Receipts

Local donations and other receipts	576	575,720
Bank Interest	0	315
Total	576	576,035

### Usage:

Camp Rock Maintenance (including depreciation)	1,168	1,167,847
Excess of Expenses over Receipts	592	591,812

### Assets

Cash	176	176,202
Receivables and Other Assets	1	1,183
Property and Equipment (net of depreciation)	5,291	5,291,255
Total Assets	5,469	5,468,640

### Liabilities and Fund Balance

Account Payables	17,510	17,509,719
Fund Balance	12,041	(12,041,078)
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	5,469	5,468,640





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