# **Transformation From Within**

CHILDREN'S BIBLE MINISTRY PHILIPPINES



Riza is 12 years old and in grade 7. She and her two siblings live with their mother and grandmother in the Philippines. Her father died when Riza was in kindergarten, and her mother has worked hard to support their family ever since.

*Riza* When Values Education ministry came to Riza's school, she began learning about Jesus and what He wants for her life. Even though her home life is difficult, Riza has found joy and peace in knowing more about Jesus Christ. She is shining the light of Jesus' love wherever she goes. She is seeing changes in the lives of other children in her school, too.

"Values Education helped me learn that I shouldn't do bad things to other people," Riza says. "I want all of the students in our school to continue with Bible study lessons because it helps to stop them from bullying and fighting."

kiza Jane & Agadasin Alangilang Ako po si Riza Jane B. Agadasin II yoors old nakatira po ako sa soud tagudgud Ilocos Uante ako ay Grade ? kani ay dalawang mag kapahid ako ay nakatira sa bahay ng lola ko at nana kinder palang mag hapahid ako ay nakatira sa bahay ng lola ko at nana kinder palang mag nakatuong nang paga ko al ang trabaho ng nana ko ay Essanbahay ako nong nakatuong po salin ang PUEP ay nalinawagan ng pag ilisip ko na lang nakatuong po salin ang PUEP ay nalinawagan ng pag ilisip ko na indi dagat gumawa ng masama gusto kopo na ituloy ang PUEP dahi nakatuhong ito sa mgo nag aarol para maiwan ang pamtu bali et mag aguyay

Riza's handwritten testimony

During 2022: 19,705 children and youth committed their lives to Jesus!

# Our Household Serves Christ STARTING NEW CHURCHES | ARMENIA

When the war started in Armenia, Karen was not allowed to go to the frontlines because he is the father of seven children. But he did not stay at home. He put on soldier's clothing and went to the frontlines anyway. *"I took the wounded to hospitals, delivered food and supplies* 



Karen (at right)

to the soldiers, helped however I could," he says. "Now, I am a soldier of God, and I still wear military clothes. I must reach everyone with the Good News about Jesus."

Karen's children attended summer Bible camps in 2022, and he visited the camps when he could. One day, he went to the camp director and asked, "Would it be possible for the Word of God to be taught and heard in my house as well?"

A local ministry leader started a family Bible study group in Karen's home. At first, only his family attended. Their neighbors joined, adding eight more people to their group. Soon, they had to expand into other rooms in Karen's house so they would have space to provide lessons for the children who came. More children are now attending, and Karen's oldest daughter leads the children's group. His son has started a program for the teens.

"Only God could save many of the wounded I transported during the war," Karen says. "Now, God is saving more people because my household is serving Him."



### Joy and Faith

#### DISCIPLING NEW BELIEVERS

BULGARIA

Dimo had never been interested in God. At age 30, he got an infection and developed acute kidney failure. His condition quickly worsened, and he ended up on hemodialysis. Doctors warned his family that he might urgently need a transplant.



Dimo

Bistra met Dimo while she was recovering from surgery in the same hospital. She and her husband, Shibil, shared the Good News with Dimo and his relatives, and invited them to learn more about God.

They were surprised when Dimo accepted their invitation. He joined their group for worship, prayer and Bible study. During the meeting, he shared his need for healing. Everyone prayed for him that day, and Shibil anointed him with oil. Dimo felt God's presence and repented of his sins.

The next day, Dimo's kidneys were restored. His doctors discovered that he was healthy and his kidneys were functioning properly!

Dimo's family turned to the Lord and joined the group meetings. Soon, their neighbors heard about the miracle and also joined. In December 2022, all of them surrendered their lives to Jesus!

"Praise the Lord that He allows trials to draw people to Him," Dimo says. "I am filled with joy and faith. I am thankful that the Lord helped me in my difficult situation."

# 1,825,238 Scriptures\* were provided!

\*this includes Study Bibles, Bibles, New Testaments, Children's Bibles and materials, and Scripture portions.

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