

SALTIBAN FAMILY

✘ A modest mom Jennifer of Brgy. Villa Rosenda, Talugtug Nueva Ecija has engaged on a lot of unskilled works in the past. She used to help husband Joel for planting rice in the field. They were blessed three children talented and responsible. Jennifer has a big faith in God that even their income are not enough to sustain the family needs she never think to stop to continue pursue her dream.

“Hindi hadlang ang kahirapan sa aking pamilya nadiyan ang DIYOS at ang mga taong gagamitin niya para kami ay tulungan.” Jennifer said.

Jennifer considered it a blessing when, in 2008, her family was chosen as beneficiary of the Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program of DSWD. Three of her children – Kaycelyn, now 17 years old; Vincent, now 14 years old and Kristine 8 years old – receive P300 for elementary and P500 high school each as education assistance from the Program on top of the P500 health grant for the family.

Jennifer was happy to share that since the start of Pantawid Pamilya, their family has been abiding by the conditions of the Program on health, education and attendance to Family Development Session (FDS). Proof to their compliance is their full availment of P3, 200 cash grant every two months.

GATES OF CHANCES

Her addition in Pantawid Pamilya also opened doors of opportunities for Jennifer. Her children received achievement every year. And her husband works as construction worker, her mother in law gave her husband of small part of land farm that they can manage and it's a big help for them to sustain her family. Her eldest daughter has skills in beauty care which use her to help her own self to sustain in her studies. Her husband at present study vocational course in SMAW and he

dreamed of working in abroad for the future of his children especially her eldest daughter could go to college this next school year.

“Jennifer was very active as a Parent Leader of Pantawid Pamilya, a PTA Officer in school, volunteer in KALAHYAN-CIDSS, Leader in Church and Community Leader in Barangay. She received lots of awards and appreciation for being active in the community. And she always excited to share to her member of what life means if you succeed. Shares that her determination to apply the knowledge and skills she got from Family Development Session.

“ Dahil sa FDS napakarami kong natutunan gaya ng pagtatanim ng mga gulay (BIG) na siyang nagging dagdag income sa aming pamilya, hindi lang namin nagiging pagkain sa araw-araw kundi nakakapagtinda pa ako ng kulay at ito ay aking iniipon para sa aking mga anak. At sa aming mag-asawa ay naibabahagi at na-aaply naming ang natutunan naming sa FDS.”

Because of the program her children became more active in the school and also they learned to value the grant that they received in the program. Her eldest daughter is entry for exemplary child last year and also she is the grand champion in “Knowledge Management” spoken poetry year 2018. And her youngest sister should be the next entry for exemplary child this coming August’2018. Nanay Jennifer is proud to her children and very thankful to our God for giving her children who does really know to value everything.

JENNIFER’S PLANS

Jennifer’s face light up in gladness as she observes how her situation now is far better than it was before.

I can say that our life has improved. We can now provide for our children’s needs in school. We have gradually repaired our house through our selling vegetables’ income and the extra income of my husband thru construction and planting rice,”

said Jennifer.

She added that her husband Joel excited to his graduation this coming May 8, 2018 for the vocational course of SMAW NCII.

I have so many plans. I have so many dreams. It is really my hope that my children finish study.

Blessings come to people who have faith, indeed),” she said.

Jennifer’s plans are seemingly attainable as can be seen in the effort and dedication she gives to all other happenings she meets along the way.

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