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PHILIPPINES EMERGENCY RELIEF THROUGH SOLAR LIGHTS



Super Typhoon Haiyan struck the Philippines on Friday 8 November. It is one of the strongest typhoons ever recorded and it ripped through the centre of the Philippines, sustaining winds of 250km/h. 2,300 people have been killed with estimates up to 10,000. The UN estimates 11 million people have been affected and 600,000 left homeless. These survivors have been left without life's basic needs; food, water and shelter. The typhoon ripped through the power lines of 30 of the Philippines 119 electric co-ops. There is no power in many areas and the lights will be out for a long time to come.



Our thoughts are very much with those who have been affected. There is a great need now for emergency aid, food, repair and rebuilding.

Kadasig is pulling together to try and make an effort to support those in so much need. It is certainly a mammoth effort and even the Philippine government is struggling to coordinate efforts. The Australian government has donated \$30 million to date.

So what can we do? Imagine darkness falls, you have no bed, no food, no home, no light.

Even though our organisation is small, we can still help. Kadasig has in the past sent Mandarin Solar Lights in the thousands to the families in Cebu and other organisations that Kadasig supports. The solar lights have made a difference for so many in the past and we know will be of enormous benefit to the people affected by the typhoon. Kadasig does not have the ability to supply food and water, although we know those are the primary needs, however we can supply light, to those suffering most in Leyte and Bohol. The lights are safe, effective and free for the families with no need for replacement batteries or recharging. Each light costs only \$10 Australian. We hope to send as many as possible. If you can help by donating \$10 for one light you can make a difference for one family. Or perhaps you can manage a little bit more and affect the lives of many.

If you would like to make a donation towards the typhoon relief fund, you can donate money to:

Account name: Kadasig No 2 Account
BSB: 083276
Account no. 172040420
Reference : typhoon "your name"



What is the Kadasig Aid and Development Program?

Kadasig Aid and Development is a voluntary group which works to assist in the improvement of life for children and families in the Philippines. Our programmes include Sponsorship, Livelihood and Friendship Schools.

Kadasig's purpose and focus includes:

- Maintaining and developing the sponsorship Program for young people in primary, secondary and college education, together with vocational training where appropriate.
- Maintaining and developing livelihood programs, where families and communities will benefit by gaining an income and self-sufficiency.

For more information please contact our Livelihood and Friendship School Coordinator, Glenys Gayfer – 03 9439 2500 or 0411 196 395 or email glenys@kadasigaid.com.au

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