

HELP INTERNATIONAL MINISTRIES E-NEWS!

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"I Saw Mommy Kissing Santa Clause..."

We walked into the grocery store the first Tuesday in September, and, loud and clear, wafting throughout the store???? Sure enough! Our first Christmas song of the season! Christmas comes early to the Philippines. It begins with the "ber" months. SeptemBER, OctoBER, etc. The BRRRR months, I guess. The lengthiest Christmas season in the world; it runs from Sept. 1 through Epiphany or Kings on Jan. 6.

September Graduation at Shiphrah!



These photos are of only one of three days of graduations! Every two months more than 120 ladies complete nine sessions of the Childbirth and Motherhood Course. Congratulations, women! Well done!

September Forever Family

Dad Roddy, Mom Samantha with
new daughter Aley and the *ffc*
crew and big brother Roddy Jr.



Scenes from Christmas Past

Every Christmas for the past many years, we have celebrated with our staff, more than 100 children of our staff and their extended families, and the poor of our area who come for “Merry Christmas” on Christmas morning. This year these events take on a whole new importance and urgency as the world financial crisis worsens. Below are pictures from last year’s events. Please go to <http://www.helpintl.org> and click onto Fireside (the mission blog) for more pictures about these events plus a look at the current situation for the marginalized.

This Christmas please help us to provide: 1 50 kg.sack of rice and 1 basket of food for each of our 27 staff workers; gifts and food for more than 100 children; 1 ton of rice, 20 cases of sardines, 20 cases of noodles, toys and balloons for 500 adults and 500 children on Christmas morning. More about the particulars in the next E-News.

HELP Children’s Christmas Party 2007 in partnership with US Embassy Club



HELP Staff Christmas Party 2007



Beverly Hills Christmas 2007 partnering with Beverly Hills missionary families



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