

October 16, 2019

Dear _____,

On November 16th, 2019 I will be participating in an endurance basketball event called "Hoops for HOPE" in collaboration with the HOPE worldwide organization and Warner Pacific University. I have committed to playing 6 straight hours of basketball! While lots of basketball will be occurring, this event is more importantly focused on supporting children and families in the Philippines. Twenty players will be raising \$500 each with all funds going directly to helping children access education and families develop sustainable lives in Daan Bantayan, Cebu, Philippines.

Quick facts:

- There have been **seven** 6.5 or greater earthquakes in the Philippines since 2010 (A country with a relative land mass the size of Arizona).
- An average of **20 major storms** roll through the Philippines on a **yearly** basis.
- Areas like Daan Bantayan are still trying to recover from the 2013 Typhoon Yolanda which resulted in **"Four million people having their homes severely damaged or destroyed"** and "more than 6000 deaths."
- More than **a third of rural inhabitants** in the Philippines are **impoverished**.
- At least two-thirds of poor households are headed by an individual with an elementary level of education **or lower**.

Active Projects with HOPE Worldwide (in Daan Bantayan):

- Assisting school-aged children with necessary supplies.
- Providing micro-loans to families to develop small local businesses.
- Running a pre-school program/community center to provide early education and social support.
- Rebuilding homes destroyed in natural disasters.

Your support can make a HUGE difference!!!

- \$300 supports a college student for a year
- \$500 helps a family start a sustainable small business
- \$1000 will build a single-family home

Please join me in making a difference in the lives of these children and their families. Your donation is tax deductible. Tax ID #04-3129839.

Please make checks payable to: HOPEworldwide Portland Chapter

I would appreciate if you put my name on the memo line for tracking.

If you would like to learn more about the Hope Worldwide and their projects this event will support please contact me (email or phone here).

Sincerely,
