

NAMBU



Jonathan & Thelma Nambu

PHILIPPINES

LANGUAGES

English
Tagalog

MINISTRY PRIORITY

Abolishing Global
Slavery

CHILDREN

Katrinka

BIRTHDAYS

Jonathan 10/12
Thelma 4/28
Katrinka 6/26



LOCATION

Philippines



ABOUT

JONATHAN and THELMA are international associate global servants appointed by International Ministries in partnership with Samaritana Transformation Ministries, an organization committed to sharing and living out the gospel among women caught in prostitution, and those at high risk of

being pushed or pulled into sexual exploitation. Jonathan and Thelma's ministry involves caring for and empowering women in the Philippines, developing trauma sensitive front-line workers in the Philippines, and helping to develop partnerships in Asia and globally towards prostitution-free societies.



SCAN ME

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A women's ministry from a local church partner joins the Samaritana outreach team to build respectful relationships and rapport with women outside of a bar.

“ MINISTRY STORY

One of our leaders, "Agatha", was reprimanded some time back for her involvement in a group activity that was not responsible, especially considering her status as a leader other women look up to as an example. She received the correction well and humbly, and she showed signs of remorse.

Not long afterward, she was asked if she wanted to share her testimony at a church invitation. She declined, saying, "I don't feel worthy after what happened"—an indication not only of shame but also integrity. Since then, Agatha has gotten over her initial shame and has grown from the experience. Now she is able to share her personal story, which communicates clearly and powerfully how God intervened in her life and deeply transformed her.

Agatha is a reminder of what we desire for all the women at Samaritana—that

they are saved and safe, and also on a journey of deep transformation, becoming women of integrity and leadership, and shining as examples to others. Agatha is a witness at home with her family, a leader at Samaritana and the Samaritana women's cooperative, and a hard worker with dreams and hopes. We thank God for Agatha and God's work in her life!

PRAYER REQUESTS

Pray for our staff team to grow in capacity and compassion as they reach out to serve the women we befriend.

Pray for the women's cooperative to stabilize and grow, to provide greater empowerment and financial support for the women members.

Pray for the women leaders at Samaritana to follow Christ's call for them to lead by serving, and to reach out to other women.

SCRIPTURE

"...bind up the brokenhearted...comfort all who mourn...bestow on them a crown of beauty instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, and a garment of praise instead of a spirit of despair. They will be called oaks of righteousness..."

Isaiah 61:1b-3 (NIV)