## **Essay from the bold Pastor**

## #195 - Homeless Boy's Aspiration -

In this summer, a news about a young Pilipino boy doing his school work on a street, spread out like wildfire. Daniel in grade three with an aspiration to become a policeman in future, lost his home to fire. Since then, he lived in a restaurant in which his mother worked as a waitress. His mother Christina was a widow who made only \$1.77 a day and looked after one sick sibling. Because of this, Daniel had an extremely hard life, hardly being able to attend school.

But, one day, Joyce a college student happened to see Daniel studying hard in a shady spot in Macdonald Restaurant's parking lot. She took his picture, posted it to Facebook, writing that she was very inspired by this young boy. Suddenly, as many as 7000 people shared her Facebook post, and the news reached to SNS, local news, local celebrities of the community and welfare offices. After that, people from all over started helping Daniel, local police department gave him food, household items and money, a local politician helped him to obtain scholarship. Also, his mother Christina found sponsors who might assist her to start her own business. Joyce was astonished since only a piece of picture she took helped the boy so much. The Bible says

But as you abound in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in all diligence, and in your love for us—see that you abound in this grace also.

2 Corinthian 8:7: NKJV

The passage which starts "in your love" says, "We inspired in you". In summary, Corinthian Christians, Joyce and Daniel saw the end results of "good deeds" since they all received the inspiration from God. Attending a church or reading the Bible ten thousand times will be a meaningless religious ritual, unless you receive the "inspiration" from the Holy Spirit. Gospel is indeed the power from Christ's spirit which might kindles us all.

