

## PIDSP reaches out to Families in Montalban





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December 6, 2011 was our version of WE CARE DAY. Members of PIDSP (Drs. Betty Quiambao, Chette Gonzales, Joanne de Castro, Maean Banez, Timmy Gimenez, Nanette Madrid, Jing Pagkatipunan, and Cecile M. Lazarte) woke up early to travel to the HE CARES Foundation in Montalban, Rizal. The day was perfect, complimented and punctuated with amusing updates from the resident comedian, Joan. He Cares Foundation is a Christian non-profit organization that helps extremely poor families by providing basic needs like food, clothing, education and medical assistance, as well as spiritual support. It was founded by full-time lay missionaries, Joe Dean Sola & his wife, Ardis in 1996. Bro Joe Dean was on hand to introduce the families who benefit from services of the foundation. We had the opportunity to deliver free medical check-up services to around 120 patients aside from vaccinating 100 adults and children from the community. Despite the heat, we went home happy and determined to duplicate the endeavor. Our special thanks to Sanofi Aventis for donating the Influenza vaccines, Dr Betty for facilitating vaccine donation, Cecile for initiating and coordinating the mission and to Nanette who unselfishly celebrated her fortieth birthday with the group.

