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## *GEESE batch 2017-2018* Scholars old and new

### **Graces to Ensure Elementary and Secondary Education (GEESE)**

UCMPFI is supporting 25 GEESE scholars for school year 2017-2018. This is more than double the number of scholars at the start of this program.

Of the 25 scholars, 8 are in Grade 12, 3 each in Grades 11, 10 and 9, 6 in Grade 8, and 2 in Grade 7. Scholars receive financial support through Grade 12 provided they abide by the terms of the assistance agreement.

The orientation program was held on July 26, 2017 at Bangkal High School. In addition to the scholars, the program was attended by the Foundation's partners and teachers from the (GEESE...continued on page 2)



Some of the 25 GEESE scholars (batch 2017-2018).



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Department of Education, Makati City, and parents of the scholars. A highlight of the program was the Welcome Message by Mr. Felix T. Bunagan, Principal of Bangkal High School, that hosted the scholars' orientation. We share with our readers his very inspiring and uplifting message.

"Greetings!"

*Winston Churchill once said, "We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give".*

*This is very true, indeed! Union Church of Manila Philippines Foundation is giving life to these young scholars. By your act of generosity, you are contributing to building the best future to the lives of these scholars. Imagine these scholars becoming professionals someday . . . teachers, lawyers, engineers, nurses. What better and productive citizens they will be, what better family they will have, and what better life they will experience. . . all because of the act of generosity of your Foundation.*

*Scholars and parents, you must be grateful for this opportunity and must make the best of it. You must strive for excellence. Help yourself achieve more, constantly push yourselves to the limit, for this is the best thing you can do in return.*

*Scholars, always remember that "gratitude is the best attitude." You must be always thankful to UCMPFI. Show them your gratefulness by telling them your success stories. The stories you will tell them are more than enough to compensate their worthwhile initiatives.*

*In behalf of Bangkal High School family, welcome and best morning!"*



Scholars, parents, DepEd partners and teachers and UCMPFI working committee at the GEESE orientation program.



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