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“When someone goes to do missions prayerfully with the Holy Spirit guiding them, their heart and eyes open to God’s leading,” says Roan Asumbrado. During the 2011–2012 school year, Roan served as a student missionary in Oahu, Hawaii. She taught physical education to grades K–8 at Hawaiian Mission Academy.



Roan Asumbrado and friends

As a high school senior, she and her classmates went to Honduras for a short-term mission trip. The class aided families after Hurricane Katrina and performed regular community service activities.

These outreach experiences laid the foundation for her interest in serving others, and when God opened the doors to Hawaii, Roan couldn’t refuse.

The experience proved to be wonderful but very challenging at the same time, explains Roan. Some students were harder to reach than others.

“I had a kindergartener who was stubborn, and it just didn’t seem like she respected me very much,” says Roan. “I got frustrated in my heart and then thought, *How would Jesus react to this?*”

As Roan thought and prayed about the situation, she remembered Jesus and how “He loved and forgave even the people who spat in His face,” she says. This began to change her outlook toward the girl. Roan took intentional steps to reach the student in new ways and understand her perspective. When the school year ended, the girl was participating more and seemed happy to cooperate with Roan.

In Hawaii, Roan also noticed a change in her relationship with God. “I started being more intentional with my studies of the Bible,” she says. “If I could summarize my whole ten-month experience, it would be that God showed me His love for me and how much He really cares.”

Roan stays involved with missions at Andrews University through small groups and her involvement in the University’s Filipino club. She hopes to return to the mission field someday and learn more about other people’s cultures.

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