

Rev. Danny Garcia's walk to eternity

"I believe in Jesus Christ, I believe that love overcome all kinds of obstacles... I know I'm not perfect but I believe God is working on me," utters the man with walking thoughts and awakened heart, Rev. Danny Garcia.

A walk to remember

Rev. Daniel "Danny" Garcia is 59-year-old Christian minister born in Spanish Harlem in New York in 1945. His father was a versatile musician and her mother was a key punch operator in New York. He has one sister named Linda. Due to family problems and vices during his younger years, his grandparents raised Danny.



Way back in high school he is very active in sports and academics. In 1962, he joined the United States Marine Corps and served until 1967. After his tour of duty, Danny worked for the Shell Oil Public Relations Department until 1972 when he reentered the Marine Corps and served for another four years. During this time, Danny was attending San Diego City College where he earned his A.A. in 1976. His major was Psychology. For the next twenty years, (1975-1995) Mr. Garcia held different law enforcement positions in the San Diego, California area: Correctional Officer, Metropolitan Correctional Center, federal Prison; Lieutenant at Burns Security; Site Commander at Salk Institute. He has also served as the Drug and Alcohol Counselor at NEPSI Narcotics Treatment Program; Drug and Alcohol Counselor at the Methane Clinic; Peer Group Counselor at Patrick Henry High School. Before entering the righteous and Christian way of life, Danny experienced desperate situations wherein his strength and spirit was tested. He vividly recalls the night he was changed by fate.

Danny was with his friend when he suddenly felt something came out of him and unexplainable fear took him unconscious. Deep in his mind he heard a voice saying "Which way do you choose to go... life or death" and he screamed "Jesus save me". For almost a year, he remained paralyzed mentally and physically but with God's help, he survived the test. Since then he dedicated his life to Jesus Christ and decided his life helping those

who are in need.

From 1978, Danny Garcia has traveled throughout the world and presented people with symbols of peace on behalf of the children of our world. A few of those presentations, either personally or via intermediaries were to: UNICEF at the United Nations during the International Year of the Child; Prime Minister Shamir in Israel; Pope John Paul II in Rome; Princess Anne in England; the President of the Olympic Committee in Seoul, Korea; U. S. Presidents Bill Clinton, Ronald Raegan, and Jimmy Carter; Mother Theresa in San Diego, California; Nobel Peace Prize Winner Ralph Bunch, in New York City; Stevie Wonder; Micheal Jackson; Whitney Houston; Redd Fox; Dr. Jonas Salk; Jackie Kennedy Onassis; and Mohammad Ali.

In 1996-1997, Danny walked over 3,500 miles from San Francisco to New York on behalf of the children of our world and for peace. He has walked with a noble cause in New Jersey, Washington D.C., Virginia, Los Angeles, Baja California, and Tijuana, Mexico. In 1998, Danny attended a United Nations meeting in New York City. From 1999-2001 he walked in different countries and global events in Europe, Asia, South America, Africa, and Australia that includes 2000 Sydney Olympics, closing of the Holy Door at the Vatican and many others. It was November 11- December 8, 2000 when Danny visited the Philippines for a walk organized jointly by the Red Cross, the National Press Club and the Department of Interior and Local Government. His walk started in Laoag, Ilocos Norte and ended in Manila. In June 2001 he had a walk from Jordan to Israel. Presently, Danny Garcia married a Filipina from Northern Samar who used to be an OFW he met in Jordan few years ago. Right now, he is was once again destined to walk from Iloilo City to Passi City to Estancia on February 8 to 10, 2005 to raise funds for the operation of Benny Cervas, a 21-year-old resident of Brgy. Salugan, Passi City who was diagnosed with Tetralogy of Fallot. He's hoping that the good-hearted Ilonggos will help his cause.

A talk to remember

Rev. Danny Garcia is a man with great compassion to the less fortunate, optimistic perceptions and great dreams to make his eternal walk a symbol of our faith to Jesus Christ. He's hoping that his effort will save lives, win souls and

