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Allowing the sun to warm my body in the morning has always been the best way to start my day. But that was not the situation when I joined the group for immersion in Piat, Cagayan. Sagar, Ricky, Jomar and I arrived in Piat at about seven in the morning and we dropped by Our Lady of Piat High School (OLOPHS) to meet Sr. Ellen, our contact for the immersion. We walked to the house of Nay Lumen, the school principal, and as early as that the sun was already scorching. I wanted to get a tricycle but Ricky was in the mood to walk. I didn't know that in the span of my stay there, I was to walk under the scorching sun. The place is faithful to what it is known for- the hottest region of the country.

We stayed in OLOPHS for two days and Nay Lumen prepared our food. I felt their warmest welcome through the food that they served. Ricky reminded Nay Lumen not to serve foods that are too good for we might get used to it, and look to them as our foster families.

"I will come and eat here Nay, if my foster family does not have good food to give me, ok?", I asked. "Not allowed," says Ricky. Nay Lumen continued to serve good food anyway.














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