

Report from Foundation for Life January - March 2009

This report is a series of reports given regularly to friends, supporters and new partners who would like to be updated on the happenings of the work of our Foundation. As such we need to repeat the introductory section for the sake of newcomers.

The Girls' Brigade, Thailand has been in the "business" to develop girls using a wholistic approach for a period of about 15 years and has been well received by the society for its efforts. In 2005 a similar program in the form of The Young Men's Brigade, has been launched for the benefit of the boys and has since been played a role as a counterpart to the girls' ministry.

The Girls' Brigade and The Young Men's Brigade has a total membership of about 2,000 strong, where programs and activities are run on a *weekly basis*, developing the young people mentally, physically, morally and socially, so that they may have self-control, reverence and a sense of responsibility, ready for good works in their 18 communities where they are situated, both in Bangkok and upcountry (i.e. Kanchanaburi, Khon Kaen, Chonburi, Chiangrai, Phisanuloke, Rayong, Samut Sakhon, Samut Songkhram, Roi Et, Sisaket, etc.)

In 2004, the Foundation for Life (licence number กท. 1470) was inaugurated as a charitable arm, with emphasis on the children and family, the poor and underprivileged in society. Through love and compassion, regardless of race or religion, the Foundation seeks to help communities be self-sufficient and achieving a better quality of life.

The following is a report of what has been done from January to March 2009

1. "MOULDING THE NEXT GENERATION" PROJECT

The Foundation liased with 20 undergraduates from the Public Speaking and Personal Development Club of the Assumption University (Suwannabhumi district) to hold a day of wholesome activities and lunch for 50 children and youths in the Romklao Estate. The event was held on 7 February in the Romklao Centre where weekly



activities for moulding the next generation is carried out.

2. EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT PROJECT

The Foundation sourced the help of The Girls' Brigade from Mahachai Christian School in a Valentine's day charity drive to give stationeries, toys and necessities to the

children and youths from various communities in Samut Songkhram province, during the February and March period.



3. FOOD FOR THE TUMMY PROJECT

The Foundation networked with philanthropic persons to provide lunch for the 35 preschoolers, teens and disabled persons at the Baan Chivit Mai Centre in Klong Toey Community on 18 March.



4. PROJECT "TRAINING OF VOLUNTEERS IN PRACTICAL SKILLS FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF LIFE QUALITY FOR THE YOUTHS AND THEIR FAMILIES ON THE THEME - THE EXCELLENT SERVANT"

An intensive training was organised from 18-21 March, for our Volunteers from Bangkok and the upcountry on the theme of "The Excellent Servant". 30 trainees turned up at the Credit Union League of Thailand, Bangkok so as to be trained in the principles of serving the communities following the example of Jesus Christ, based on the values of excellence and unity among volunteers. Techniques on Digital Photography was also a topic included, so that volunteers are equipped to use digital cameras to produce photographs in their reports and presentations. At the same time, they may use this subject to teach youths as an option and choice of hobby and even future career paths.



The Year 2009 has been predicted to be a tough year economically, environmentally and politically. thus The Foundation is grateful for your continued support of our programs so that children and youths may be duly developed. May the Lord bless you and your family with true happiness and prosperity in the year 2009!

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