



MABUHAY!

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY TRAINING SEMINARS

The Lord has open many doors for us to work with the provincial churches in equipping their Children's Ministry workers and help establish new outreach areas. We had the pleasure traveling to Norzagaray, Bulacan which is North of Manila about 2 hours. There were 28 attendees from 7 local churches. They were encouraged to receive materials and new fresh ideas on reaching out to children at risk. They especially enjoyed learning about puppets and balloons. It was a great blessing to see the Lord also calling young people to share the gospel and help children at risk in there areas through their churches. The fellowship during breaks and lunch was an encouragement to us because so many of these pastors and workers truly trust the Lord to provide for their ministries. With little or no budget they step out to help those who really have no hope other than the everlasting hope the lies in knowing and trusting in Jesus Christ. We were able to feed 68 children and 30 adults after the outreach program the participants organized and implemented.

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Special points of Interest:

- ☺ Trainings
- ☺ Special People
- ☺ Conferences
- ☺ Promotion/Graduation



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Know God, Take ACTION

Relocation of Ministry

On January 28, 2004 we relocated our ministry to the Cebu, Visayas by boat. This is the group of islands in the mid-southern part of the Philippines. What a great time of excitement and rest in the Lord. The boat trip was 10 hours from Manila to Cebu arriving at 3 A.M. We are working along side Christ For Asia and the network of Pastors in Visayas and Mindanao. Having our home base in Cebu is a great blessing! Travel and distribution of materials to the provinces tends to be faster & more accessible. The Lord is continuing to open doors through out the south for equipping and training of Children Ministries in the provincial churches.



Ah....boat travel is a time of recharging!



Our new home & ministry base. Opened for visitors, short-term, & missionaries.



Working along side Christ For Asia is a great opportunity for adding to the Lords work with street children and abandoned children. CFA has 3 homes for children at risk. One is a boys home, another a girls home, and a half way home for those who are finishing college and preparing to go into the world of work and self-sufficiency. The children are disciple and encouraged to grow in their relationship with Jesus Christ and learn to apply His word practically to life. We also have many opportunities to participate in feeding programs throughout Cebu City. Not only sharing nourishment for the body but also for the spirit through relationship building by feeding, minor medical, song, puppets, stories, and games.



CFA Field Director Harald Rauch & Family



CFA Boy's Home & Office



Conferences

The **International Conference** for ACTION was held in the Philippines this year and what a great opportunity! It was so exciting to hear how the Lord is working around the world and in our International team. A great time of renewing relationships and developing new ones. The leadership was truly excited and open to new ideas as the Lord has opened new countries and new areas of ministry for ACTION across the world. To see the "fire" stirred and made fresh they were reminded to keep it burring "growing" by the daily devotions and meeting that took place for a solid week at the Lopez Training Center in Antipolo. Our new matoe is "Know God, Take ACTION" was also birthed through the meeting of minds and ideas.



New leaders in new fields & old friendships brought together in fellowship.



Leadership recognizing the blessings of years of wisdom.



Leaders from the UK & India representatives encourage us with their on field challenges, prayers & praises.



In keeping with the "fire growing" the seeds from a local Fire Tree are to be planted & nourished as leaders are challenged to try new things including indulging in local a delicacy of Balut sa Puti.



The **ACTION Field Conference** was held once again at Caliraya. Our speaker shared in the book of John about the truth the Lord was sharing with the disciples and yet they did not understand until later. He also asked the question is as believers we become sin "managers" or truly "transformed" by the word of God. The young children were challenged by seeking treasures of truth in Gods word while the older children were challenged by the building of a chair as they were encouraged to continue to build their faith in many areas of life. Along with being recharged in the word families were also able to recharge relationships with friends and with some of the IC leaders who stayed and participated with the field team.



Food always goes with fellowship!



ACTION Philippine Team with IC members

Instructors for children's programs.



Local dance teams presents the Philippine Nation Dance known as "Tanikling"

Finished project in faith building!



Matthew 28:19-20

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Only His Glory shines in the darkness!



*"And if you give yourself to the hungry and satisfy the desire of the afflicted, then your light will rise in darkness and your gloom will become like midday."
Isaiah 58:10*

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PRAYER REQUESTS

- ♥ Pray for the seven new illiteracy programs and the children and workers for health, safety, and that the supply needs would be met.
- ♥ Pray for finances for the feeding programs and medical outreach in the areas through the churches.
- ♥ Pray for the Lord's provision for the additional support, both prayer partners and financial needs for the continuation of the work in the Philippines.
- ♥ Pray for travel mercies, safety, health, and God's open doors for us as we travel to the provincial areas of the Philippines.
- ♥ Pray for a venue and finances for a weekend of encouragement, workshop, and additional training for the directors of the seven program sites.
- ♥ Pray for a vehicle for ministry and transportation of children for special events.
- ♥ The Lord would work in a mighty way in the Philippines government and military especially during this year's elections.