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Merry Christmas & Happy New Year 2014

*May this Christmas end the present year
on a cheerful note and make way
for a fresh and bright new year.
Here's wishing you a Merry Christmas
and a Happy New Year!*



Invitation to 40th Anniversary Celebration
of and at the Pattaya Orphanage
on Sunday, 12th of January 2014

10:00 hrs.

- Opening Ceremony of the 40th Anniversary of Pattaya Orphanage
- Thanksgiving Mass, presided by Bishop Silvio Siripong Charatsri



It is a great privilege and honour for children of the Pattaya Orphanage, Sotpattana School for the Deaf, and Child Protection and Development Center (CPDC) to receive H.E. Ambassador Thierry VITEAU during his first visit to the Pattaya Orphanage. His Excellency the French Ambassador was accompanied by Consul Pierre BLONDEL, Attache de police Eric FRANCELET and his secretary. Receiving them upon arrival are our Director, Fr. Michael Weera Phangrak, President of HHN Germany, Mr. Ewald Dietrich, along with Dr. Michel Roche, Mr. Gilbert Pelissier and Mr. Jean Gral and Khun Toy. The diplomatic team was shown around the compound where they met with babies, toddlers including deaf students. Our honorable guests were impressed with the work for children at the Orphanage and Deaf School. H.E. Ambassador VITEAU will also pay visit to CPDC in the near future.

Message from the Director

Dear Sponsors and Benefactors,

All human beings in this world have ambitions; everyone wants to make progress in life, be successful, and have good living quality. To be able to achieve one's ambitions, it is necessary to, more or less, put efforts, persevere, and overcome struggles.

Children of the Pattaya Orphanage are no exception. Despite having an incomplete childhood compared to most of the other children, each of them does have ambitions, desires, and determination to lead a successful and happy life. All of you, sponsors and benefactors, are the important persons who help them achieve their ambitions and realize their dreams.



Fr. Michael Weera Phangrak
Director



▲ On the occasion of the 10th memorial of our beloved Fr. Ray Brennan, his sister Mrs. Sharron Purtell and her daughter Amy, flew from USA to Thailand to join this very special Memorial Mass. Knowing the Pattaya Orphanage was the very first project initiated by her brother 39 years ago, Mrs. Purtell insisted to visit the place and children prior to the ceremony at St. Nikolaus Church. We were truly happy to welcome her and her daughter to our internal ceremony with all the children and some good old friends of Fr. Brennan in attendance. Flowers were placed at the base of his statue and everyone dined together in the hall with our deaf and orphaned kids. At the table, many friends enjoyed sharing their fond memories of the great man. It was a private dinner with heart-warming remembrance for all especially Mrs. Purtell and Amy. Thanks everybody for making the time very memorable.



▲ Assoc. Prof. Robert Simmons, Director of MPH Program at Thomas Jefferson University's School of Population Health in USA, along with Prof. Kathleen Parker, Health Education Specialist, and Dr. William Potts-Datema, Chief of Program Development and Services Branch, Health and Human Services Dept., visited the Pattaya Orphanage during their time in the area for the International Conference on Health Education and Promotion. Thanks to our long term forever friend, Mr. David Edmondson, for introducing us and our School for the Deaf to the group.



▲ During their vacation in Thailand, Mr. Mike and Mrs. Alison Battle from England, together with their four sons, visited us for the first time. They have heard about our children from Khun Mike's sister, who has been sponsoring Tik and Wit for over two decades. Thank you all so much for the time, a lovely gift of Husky toy dog from their company, and the intention to sponsor one of our kids through the Thai Children's Trust in London.



▲ Canadian Models Zahra Libert Aldnia, Kimberley Veitch, and Taylor Hui, along with Shiela Ho from Germany, took a break from their modeling work in Bangkok and paid a meaningful visit to our children. As part of their community service, Khun Zahra appeared in Wonder Woman costume and entertained the little ones. May all our guests and their Paradigm Shifters Community Engagement Organization be blessed.



◀ Long Live the Queen and Happy Mother's Day 2013.. Members of the Pattaya Orphanage enjoyed another special and memorable celebration when Mrs. Saowanee Tarasil presided over the ceremony and gave the children a very inspirational message. Our special guests included the Tarasil Family from Rue Mai Restaurant and Tara Resort Hotel Pattaya as well as the family of CEO Lee Hammond of ASIC, England, and his loving family who were visiting us for the first time.

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