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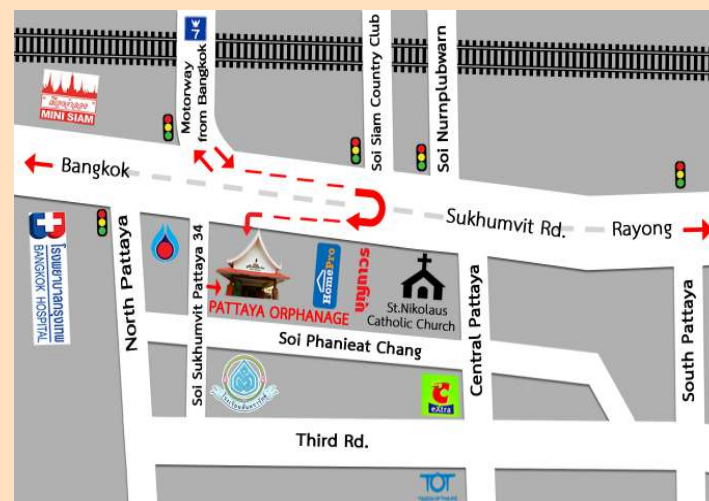
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Wishing you and your family health,
happiness, peace and prosperity
this holiday season and in the coming
New Year.

May the magic of Christmas fill your
heart all year long.



▲ H.E. Mr. Brian John Davidson, Ambassador of the United Kingdom to Thailand, paid his first visit to the Pattaya Orphanage and Sotpattana School for the Deaf, said hello to the little ones in our nursery and classrooms, and donated clothing, toys, as well as a supporting fund towards our 24/7 care for kids of all age groups.. The party was welcomed by our executive director Rev. Fr. Michael Weera Phangrak, his staff, and the children..



▲ The 4th Love & Care Charity Concert, organized at the Alcazar Cabaret Theatre Pattaya to raise fund for the education for orphaned kids of the Pattaya Orphanage, featured a special performance of orphans and deaf kids, titled "Blooming Flowers", followed by the 90-minute spectacular music of the Carabao Band for 1,200 attendants, most of whom were fans of this popular Thai Rock Band. Rev. Fr. Michael Weera Phangrak, Director of the Orphanage, expressed his sincere appreciation to Mr. Ratanachai Suthidechanai, Advisor to the Pattaya City Cultural Council & representative of the Mayor of Pattaya, for officiating the opening ceremony, and the generous support from H.H.N.F.T., Maryvit Educational Institution, the Lovers of the Cross Sisters of Chanthaburi, Royal Cliff Hotels Group, Rue Mai Restaurant & The Tara Resort Pattaya, and The Riviera Group. Our grateful thanks also go to the Alcazar Cabaret Theatre for the use of its facilities and the generous contribution towards our children's education.

Message from the Director

Dear Friends and Benefactors,

Artificial intelligence is “disrupting” our world and humankind. It affects all of us sooner than we realize. How then would be best for our children to cope with this coming change in order to live a decent and happy life?

One possibility is not to be panic but let the children gradually be aware of and get accustomed to the change. Inculcate into them the habit of self-solving possible problems using their own power of thought. Let them be convinced that they are more clever than all kinds of A.I. machines. They, finally, must be trained to be always honest and active.



Fr. Michael Weera Phangrak
Director



▲ Thanks to students of Sofia School, or Ecole Sofia, in Lausanne, Switzerland, the great ideas of their Director General Valérie Beauverd have turned into the concrete support of different projects in the value of CHF 5,592.50 for children at the Pattaya Orphanage in the next 12 months. This happened after the presentation and coordination with the School during the home visit of our friend Bernard Mueller. We are also very grateful to Khun Bernard, for holding an Apéro at La Bacchanale, owned by Isabelle and Fabrice Neyroud in Chardonne, and having raised 225,000 Baht in the name of “FAB” or Fonds des Amis de Bernie, with the aim to respond to the needs of our children and brighten their ordinary days..



▲ The team of Ms. Saowanee Panaram, Mrs. Prisca Bungiranto, and Ms. June Lim, organized the 8th Annual Thai Benefit Dinner on September 11th 2018 at St. Matthew Parish Community Center in Seattle, USA, and raised \$18,689 for children at the Pattaya Orphanage. We are very grateful to the event’s sponsors, i.e. the family of Mr. Kingsley & Mrs. Treesia Kan and Mac & Jack’s Brewery, along with dedicated volunteers, local businesses, especially Thai restaurants Araya’s Vegetarian Place, Silverspoon, Thaiger Room, and Laem Buri, for donating ingredients and food freshly cooked on site. Desserts were contributed by many talented people, and a total of 70 raffles and silent auctions items were donated by various local businesses. Brilliant volunteer artists and performers kept the 300 people entertained with live music and Thai dance throughout the evening. We continue to keep “Friends of the Pattaya Orphanage in Seattle, WA”, especially the organizers, volunteers, donors, and guests, in our prayers.



◀ A delegation of the Mission for International Adoption of the French Ministry of Foreign Affairs, composed of Mr. Denis BARBET, Ambassador for International Adoptions, and Mrs Marianne SCHULZ, chief in charge of legal monitoring control of procedures, got to know the Pattaya Orphanage during a special visit to Thailand, with a discussion on inter-country adoptions with Rev. Fr. Michael Weera Phangrak, Mrs. Radchada Chomjinda, and Mr. Somkiat Potiverayut.. Special thanks to Mr. Laurent Cuenoud, Deputy Consul and Head of the Visa Department, Embassy of France in Thailand, for facilitating the event..



▲ Our appreciation to Ms. Tricia Sullivan of the Holy Cross School, England, for paying another visit to the Pattaya Orphanage, this time with 32 Year-12 students and three teachers, introducing them to our work and the little ones in our care.. Grateful thanks for your time playing with our toddlers, interacting with kindergartners of our Deaf School through a sign language session, and a donation of baby-care items..



▲ Participants of the Thai-Cambodia Bilateral Workshop on “Exchange for Development of Community-based Alternative Families Network Mechanism,” organized by the Department of Children and Youth, Ministry of Social Development and Human Security, and Faculty of Social Sciences & Humanities, Mahidol University, paid their visit to the Pattaya Orphanage at the end of their program in Pattaya. They were warmly welcomed by Rev. Fr. Michael Weera Phangrak and his staff.



◀ Sotpattana School for the Deaf organized “Healthy Kids” Program for 35 kindergartners and 12 pre-schoolers of the Pattaya Orphanage, with four 4th year dental students from University of Bordeaux, France, under the name of “ThaiMaDent Team,” providing knowledge and skills in prevention care of children’s oral health. The students had fun learning to brush the mock-up teeth and their own properly and were happy with the gift sets of toothbrush and toothpaste. To the ThaiMaDent Team members Eva Ilharreguy, Diane Deladriere, Fanny Libaros, and Ines Gafsi, “Merci et Bon Voyage”..