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▲ Fire Drill Training: Children and staff of the Pattaya Orphanage and Sotpattana School for the Deaf attended the Fire Drill Training 2016, with theoretical and practical sessions guided by the resource persons from Banglamung District Land Disaster Mitigation Office. The training is one of the steps to help members of our home learn about preparedness and safety precautions. Grateful thanks to all concerned, including all the donors of fire extinguishers and emergency lights, for helping make our home a safe place for the children and staff members..



▲ Maleehuana in Concert : The famous Maleehuana Band was the highlight of the 3rd Love & Care Concert of the Pattaya Orphanage, which was postponed from October 2016, but the venue - Alcazar Cabaret Pattaya - was unchanged.. Our charity event was made possible owing to the generous supporters, including the Human Help Network Foundation Thailand, Maryvit Educational Institution, the Lovers of the Cross Sisters of Chanthaburi, Royal Cliff Hotels Group, Rua Mai Restaurant and The Tara Resort Pattaya, and Diana Group. Special appreciation to HRH Princess Iris Hildegard of Saxony, for presiding over the opening ceremony.. Grateful thanks to all the viewers and contributors, especially the management of the Alcazar Cabaret, for supporting our children's education and their future..

Message from the Director

Dear Sponsors and Benefactors,

It took God six days to create the world and human beings. (Genesis 1:1-31)
Our children also took a very long time - over 20 years for most of them - to grow, complete their studies, and lead independent lives. The support we have perseveringly been providing and investing in the children in the past four decades becomes worthwhile when they are able to make their own living and their families live happily. It is as if we have detached the word “orphaned” from them, one family at a time.

Every year, we experience this joy because our benefactors have continued to help make our dreams come true. Thank you to you all..



Fr. Michael Weera Phangrak
Director



▲ Members of “Not Abandoned,” led by Founder /Executive Director Jeff David McKinley, who visited the Pattaya Orphanage a few years ago with the Global Breakthrough & Overlake Christian Church group, spent part of their two-week mission in Thailand visiting our home and Deaf School. For most of our guests from USA, it was the first interaction with the joyful children in our care.



▲ Since 2016, Mr. Bernard Mueller has become a regular supporter of the Pattaya Orphanage. He has introduced our home to his family members and Swiss friends, including Christian & Geneviève, Kas Family, Norbert Baudraz, Barisa & André Benkler, Willi Raschle, and Peter Würzer, who have helped our children with meals, playroom repairs, and replacement of computers. Thanks to Khun Bernard and all.



▲ Christmas 2016 : To mark the Season of Joy 2016, the Pattaya Orphanage and Sotpattana School for the Deaf, led by Rev. Fr. Michael Weera Phangrak, wished all the children, young adults, and disabled persons in our care a very happy Christmas and a healthy New Year.. The big outdoor party on Christmas Day was cancelled this year due to the mourning of our beloved King Rama IX, but children received their presents like every year. Boxes filled with goodies and cash in the pouches were there for them to enjoy and make use of. Members of our home also handed presents to the executives and elders, while wishing them God’s abundant blessings.. Grateful appreciation to all our benefactors.. Wishing you ever joy, good health, and prosperity wherever you are and every day!



◀ When Fr. Ray’s sister Sharron Purtell and her daughter Megan from USA returned to Pattaya this time, they brought along Khun Megan’s daughter, Haley Nichols, to get to know the Pattaya Orphanage. Rev. Fr. Michael Weera Phangrak and his team welcomed the three generations with joy and showed them our home, including Sotpattana School for the Deaf, where young Haley enjoyed using signs to communicate with the kids. Haley is staying in Pattaya to serve at charities her great uncle initiated. She finds time to visit our Deaf School and practise the American signs she has mastered.



▲ Vice Presidents Do Soon Kim and Jong Bok Park of the Korean-Thai Chamber of Commerce in Bangkok carried out their CSR activity at the Pattaya Orphanage by visiting children in our care and contributing 30 boxes of 1800-gm baby formula and dozens of melamine meal sets. We are very grateful for the generous and thoughtful support from the KTCC.



▲ Each year, representatives of secondary school students and teachers of St. Joseph’s Roman Catholic School, England, visit Thailand and the charities they support through “Safe Child Thailand,” formerly Thai Children’s Trust. Teacher Rhian Morgans, who is familiar with the Pattaya Orphanage and Deaf School, led a group of students to get to know our home and kids of different age groups in February 2017.



◀ The group of “Soi 6 Corner Bar & Friends,” led by Khun Chaba Maxine Yeoman and family, always visits children at the Pattaya Orphanage at Christmas. In December 2016, they arrived in the morning of 25th with loads of lovely presents for the children, plus 30-kg gifts from a suitcase from England, and a generous donation of 30,300 Baht towards the education of our school-aged kids. Some of the new comers also visited our nursery for the first time. Happy Holidays; A Blessed New Year to all; and see you again next Christmas..

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