

Nurturing Education Without Borders

培育無國界



宿霧先天聖道院幫助兩個小學各建兩間教室

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It is a sad reality in the Philippines today that we lack school facilities especially in the rural areas to accommodate the ever-increasing number of students each year. Government funds do not reach the rural villages; hence, the school facilities especially in the provincial areas are really appalling. Realizing this problem, the I-Kuan Tao Sian Tian Temple Cebu reached out to help a small agricultural village in Guinsay, Danao which is about 1.5 hours north of Cebu City. Members of the temple joined forces to help construct a new building with two classrooms complete with enough tables and chairs for the kindergarten level. Prior to the completion of the new structure, the kindergarten level in the said community was divided into 4 classes. Two classes were held in one classroom one after the other in the morning and again in the afternoon. With the new classrooms, the teachers do not have to rush their lessons and sacrifice the students' opportunity to learn just to accommodate all enrollees.

The Association also organized another project that renovated some classrooms of the elementary classes in Binaliw, Cebu (another small town which is 8 kilometers away from Guinsay town). New blackboards,









tables and chairs, toilet facilities were also donated to facilitate better learning environment for students.

These projects were undertaken by the I-Kuan Tao with the philosophy that education is very important for the children. Being able to help these less fortunate kids will impart in their minds that they also can have the ability to make their lives better. Each child whether from the city or province should be given the opportunity to learn to have a brighter future. Parents should be encouraged to raise their children and have them educated even in the outskirt villages since education is the key for every child to be able to overcome future challenges.

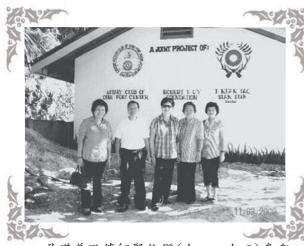
在現今的菲律賓,有著一個現實的悲哀。學校設施缺乏,尤其是在農村地區,每年不斷增加的學生人數。菲律賓政府的資金沒有達到農村,因此學校的設施十分缺乏,特別是在省級地區更是令人心驚。認識到這個問題,宿霧先天聖道院伸出手來幫助一個位於離北宿霧市約1.5小時路程的農業小村Guinsay。道院的道親聯手,幫助建立兩間新教室,有足夠的桌椅達到可以上課的學習標準。在此之前完成新的架構,上課分爲四個類別。兩個班在一個教室,一個上午一個下午,一個接一個舉行。隨著新的教室落成,教師不必急於他們的課程和犧牲學生的學習機會,只是爲了容納所有學生。

宿霧先天聖道院除新建兩間教室供Guinsay鄉村的學校使用外,另外還做了一些事,如整修宿霧Binaliw(距Guinsay鎭8公里)小學班級中的教室,也捐贈新的黑板,桌椅,廁所設備,以方便學生有更好的學習環境。

這些項目開展一貫道培育無國界的理念,教育對兒童是非常重要的。能夠幫助這些不幸的孩子們,培育他們使他們有能力讓生活更美好。每個孩子無論從城市或鄉村裡都應給予機會學習,有一個光明的未來。即使在郊區的村莊,應該鼓勵父母提昇他們的孩子,讓他們接受教育,因爲教育可使每個孩子都能夠克服未來的挑戰。

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▲ 吳漢義點傳師賢伉儷(左二、左三)參與 學校落成典禮。



▲ 田麗麗點傳師(右三)與道親在Guinsay Elementary School合影。



▲ Binaliw Elementary School學校師生代表在美麗的新教室前法喜合影。



