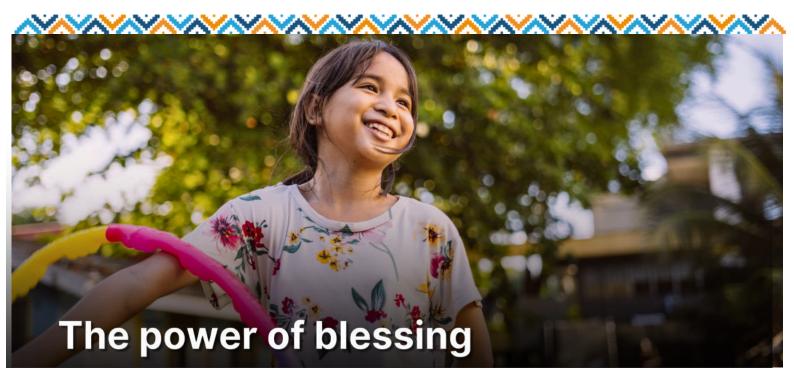


Christ for Asia International

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MISSIONSINFO



Over the years of our ministry, I have repeatedly encountered the lies of the enemy in the lives of street children. Rejection, neglect and the struggle to survive on the streets destroyed identity and so much more...

I remember how we were moved by the desire to see street children touched by the character of God.

Blessings and curses are like fire and ice. While blessing expresses the nature of God, a curse wishes the other misfortune, pain, hardship and suffering. Where the nature of darkness is expressed, there is hatred, rejection or disregard. When blessing - something completely different happens: The other person is loved, valued, esteemed and recognized. When you bless someone, you don't just wish them short-term happiness, but you seek the best for your fellow person from an eternal perspective and the best from God's perspective.

Because we want to bless street children, our street workers regularly go out into the streets to give children in need a warm meal and convey the message: "God has not forgotten you." Because we know that life in the street is full of abuse, emotional pain and the struggle to survive. We give these children a home in our shelters

and in this way bring hope and security for a better future into their lives. Wherever we meet the needs of street children, whether through programs or relational fields, Christ for Asia Intl. remains motivated to see street children encounter the love of God and take personal steps towards a healthy personal development. This is expressed through many changed lives. I remember Lyn, who came to our children's home without hope. For her, Christ for Asia became a blessing and today she leads worship in the church. She lives passionately for God and studies architecture. On our last visit to Cebu, I met Jovce, who was able to leave some of the pain of her past behind at our ministry school and wants to express the kingdom of God through her life. I think of Matt, who came to us many years ago as a wounded child and now works as a missionary with his family among the mountain tribes of Palawan.

As a staff, we are grateful where we have been able to be a blessing to children in need and see that blessing multiplied through the lives of former street children.

Thank you for being part of this blessing for street children with your partnership!

Harald & Regina Rauch





A NEW BEGINNING

We are very happy to welcome three new children to our CFAI family. Each of them brings a unique story with them stories of pain, courage and hope. Today we would like to tell you the story of two of these children: Their lives so far have been characterized by many challenges: Growing up in a busy market without a proper home, they lived on a wooden handcart - where they slept, ate and kept their few belongings. Their mother left them at a very young age and now suffers from mental illness. Their father tries to care for them as best as he can but finds it difficult to meet their needs.

But their story does not end in darkness - it begins anew with hope. Today, the two children are able to start a new chapter. They have found a safe and loving home in the Nehemiah children's homes. They can simply "be children" - laugh, play, learn and find peace, something they were previously denied. What's more, they are helped to heal from their injuries, losses and fears. In an environment of acceptance and security, they can grow in their identity and discover who they really are - beloved children of God, unique and full of potential.

We firmly believe that God can not only heal the past but also give them a future full of hope. Now they can dream, break new ground and experience what God's love can do in their lives.



GROWING, LEARNING, CELEBRATING - WHAT A SCHOOL YEAR



The past school year was full of special moments: our 87 students in 10 classes were not only able to learn but also take part in a variety of activities - such as sporting events, a Bible reading month, cooking and nutrition courses and exciting excursions.

A special highlight was the awarding of a student who graduated with one of the best grade averages in all of Cebu City - a great honor that was recognized by the city government.

We were delighted to welcome international visitors: guests from Japan introduced the children to their culture and language, Korean visitors donated clothes, and a local company provided six desktop computers for the classroom.

The school year ended on March 21, 2025 and the graduation ceremony took place on April 16 - with performances, songs and an official representative from the Ministry of Education congratulating the graduates. A total of 5 students successfully completed high school and 6 children successfully completed elementary school. For the other children, the summer vacations have already begun - school starts for the new year on June 16, 2025.

DID YOU KNOW?

Although elementary school attendance in the Philippines is officially free, hidden costs such as school uniforms, materials, transportation and participation fees prevent many poor children from attending school.





WITH PRAYER TO SUMMER CAMP - BE PART OF IT!

Our annual Summer Go Camp will take place from May 13 to 24 - the spiritual highlight for our children! This time is more than just fun and games - it's an opportunity to encounter God in a very personal way.

Many of the children are still struggling with the consequences of their past. This makes it all the more precious that we can experience breakthroughs year after year: Hearts are healed, hope grows and new perspectives emerge.

We therefore invite you to carry us in prayer:

- Pray for inner healing and open hearts
- For a strong, sensitive leadership team
- For protection, joy and profound encounters with God

Your prayer changes lives. Thank you for being part of it!

NEW PLAYGROUND AT THE CHILDREN'S HOME - ALMOST FINISHED!



It is with great gratitude that we can report that the new playground at the children's home is nearing completion! The construction work is in full swing and soon our children will be able to play on swings, slides and climbing frames and simply be children.

The playground will be a place of joy, activity and companionship - a safe space where the children can laugh, play and develop. For many of them, it will be their first time playing on a real playground. We would like to thank all supporters, donors and helpers who have made this heartfelt project possible.

FAITH THAT OVERCOMES BOUNDARIES

This year, our International Ministry School (IMS) students from the Philippines and Germany spent two weeks in remote tribal villages in Palawan - an area that is largely unreached. The team faced major challenges: days of rain, no electricity, poor sleeping conditions and crossing 16 rivers to reach the villages. But every effort was worth it.

My highlight was meeting the tribal people. They were so welcoming. We made genuine friendships, shared our testimonies with them, and they were eager to hear God's word."

They visited homes, organized feeding programs, prayed with families and preached the gospel. Many responded with open hearts, and the impact was tremendous. Following the outreach, the students celebrated their official graduation at the end of February 2025, ending their six-month discipleship and ministry school - transformed, empowered and ready to live out their calling.









A NEW HOME - THE **CHILDREN'S HOME IS GROWING!**

A new building with space for 12-14 boys is currently being built on our youth farm - and construction is nearing completion! Soon the boys will be able to move in and find a safe, loving home there.

Last year, the youth farm also established two feeding places in Bogo City, where children are regularly provided with hot meals

God opens doors: We were also able to hire an additional employee to better support the growing work. We firmly believe that God wants to continue to use CFAI powerfully in this region - to bring hope and change lives.

Thank you for joining us on this journey in prayer and with your support!



TEAM VISITS CEBU

Harald and Regina Rauch were able to visit the ministry of Christ for Asia Intl. with 12 people for 2 weeks at the end of February. These were very impressive days and everyone had the opportunity to be involved in the various areas of ministry. During one outing, a participant was baptized in the sea. Fulfilled and richly blessed, we returned home in March.

RM INVITATION TO THE MISSION **BANQUET!**

We cordially invite you to a special evening with exciting reports from the ministry of Christ for Asia Intl. and get-togethers!

7 Date: July 19, 2025

① Time: 6:30 pm

Location: JMS Altensteig, Bahnhofstraße 45, 72213 Altensteig You can expect a delicious dinner, encouraging life testimonies, inspiring mission reports and a look at what God has already accomplished through your support.

Changed lives - thanks to your prayers, donations and faithful partnership!

Let's celebrate together what becomes possible when we share hope and serve people.

Register by July 10, 2025 at office@christforasia.info We look forward to an unforgettable evening with you!

MISSION TRIP TO THE PHILIPPINES

Do you want to live your faith in a practical way, discover new cultures, serve people and experience how God works through you? Then join the mission trip to the Philippines for young people aged 16 and above from August 16 - September 12,

You can find more information about the youth mission trip on the website or at office@christforasia.info

More Info here





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