

BATANGAS KIDS BENEFIT FROM SPECIAL DENTAL MISSION

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Concerned with the plight of young persons in need, ACE IPI President, Virgie Bruce facilitated a special Dental Mission for the benefit of over a thousand indigent school children and adults at Taal, Batangas. After tedious preparations, the mission was finally conducted from February 1 and 2, 2009 through the very generous support of the Philippine Dental Association in cooperation with the Taiwan Dental Association and the Taal-CHARM Foundation with sponsorship by Colgate Philippines Inc. and Gargle Philippines. The Taal municipal government and the Taal Parish Pastoral Council also extended their cooperation and assistance.



Those who received free dental care/services and dental supplies and medicines included 2 children for cleft- palate operation plus follow-ups, about 59 adults for dentures and almost 1,147 various dental services, 250 of whom are children. Hence, a total of 1,458 children and adults were treated. Some of the services were prosthetics, tooth extractions, tooth restoration, oral health education O.P./ scaling. The flouride procedure was also extended to several children



It was indeed a BIG DAY for the Taal residents.

As an expression therefore of our utmost gratitude to those who made this mission possible, we presented a Certificate of Appreciation each to the Philippine and Taiwan Dental Associations. Likewise, these Associations gave Ms. Bruce their own Certificate of Appreciation for the opportunity given them to be blessings to others. In our hearts, we knew that this would not be our last dental mission for the poor.