

ACE INTERNATIONAL PHILIPPINES, INC (ACE IPI)
National Capital Region

ACCOMPLISHMENT REPORT
NOVEMBER 2012

I. PROGRAMS AND SERVICES:

1. YOUTH FOR YOUTH (Y4Y) PROGRAM

A. Parañaque City:

a) Values Formation (VF):

YOUTH:

Activities:

- Sunday Masses were attended by an average of 39 Y4Y members from 4 target sites.
- Sunday Catechism class at Our Lady of Unity Parish (OLUP) was attended by 5 Y4Y members from 3 target sites.
- On-going recitation of the Holy Rosary held every Sunday at OLUP by 8 Y4Y youth from Napoleon (6) and Lovewin (2) who are also members of the Legion of Mary organization.
- “Tambayan sa Banal na Bahay” or Youth of Unity Parish (YUP) meeting held last November 9 and attended by 10 Y4Y members.

PARENTS:

Activities:

- Sunday Masses were attended by an average of 26 Y4Y parents from 4 target sites.
- Sunday Catechism classes at OLUP were participated by an average of 3 Y4Y parents from 2 target sites.
- Basic Ecclesial Community (BEC) was integrated to the Parish-based Marian Cenacle Prayer Group held at Napoleon for 2 consecutive Fridays and attended by an average of 9 Y4Y regular members and 1 non-Y4Y parent-member.
- The parish-based Marian Cenacle at Lovewin area was held for 2 consecutive Wednesdays with 6 Y4Y regular members together with 11 non-Y4Y mothers.
- Developing Community-Marian Cenacle prayer group was attended by 13 Y4Y mothers and 13 non-Y4Y members from 2 target sites every Sunday.

- The monthly Holy Mass at Lopezville was attended by 2 Y4Y families and about 30 non-Y4Y parents & 20 non-Y4Y children.
- Regular recitation of the Holy Rosary every Wednesdays held at OLUP and led by 2 Y4Y mothers who are also members of the Parish Legion of Mary.
- Five (5) Y4Y parents and 11 non-Y4Y parents who are members of Couples for Christ as well as the mothers who are members of “Handmaids of the Lord (Singles)” attended the prayer meeting last Nov. 15, 2012 at Area 1, residence of the facilitator, Coring de Leon.

YOUTH & PARENTS:

The monthly Values Formation session for youth and parents was held last Nov. 24, 2012 with Lowell and Ludy Castillo as facilitators. A total of 102 participants from 4 target sites attended. Breakdown as follows:

- 43 Y4Y parents (37 singles & 3 couples)
- 59 youth

1. Theme/Focus of Discussion: The significance of the celebration of Christ the King.
2. Reflections:
 - a. The Ideal Traits of a King: Courageous, selfless, understanding and committed to sacrifice for the sake of others,
 - b. The genuine Model of Kingship is Jesus our Lord. He showed us primarily how to be obedient followers of the Almighty Father, how to love and forgive and how to be a humble servant by washing the feet of His disciples.
 - c. Often, the father of the house serves as the King in his family. He need not be feared at, but rather, he is respected and looked up to as role-model of his children and wife. He is expected to be strong and decisive yet gentle. He strives hard to attend to the needs of his family.
3. Sharing from participants on the question: What is the meaning of Christ the King in our lives?
 - a. The Lord Jesus is the center of our family life. We want to follow Him. He is the source of all our strength. He protects us and heals us physically and emotionally.
 - b. Just like the example of Jesus, we should also be forgiving, just and generous.
 - c. A King treats everyone equally, with respect. A King is not just a Master but a Servant, ready and willing to help for the good of others.

4. Realizations/Resolve to do:
 - a. Count always our daily blessings and thank God for them.
 - b. Continue doing good to others. Don't quit. Be Christ-like.
 - c. Allow ourselves to become channels of God's graces.
 - d. Show gratitude at all times especially to our parents. As long as we can, let us personally take care of them in their older years, instead of just bringing them to the home for the elders.

b.) Educational Assistance (EA):

1. Under the Pondo ng Pinoy (Pnp) sponsorship:
 - a. Fare-support was given to 1 elementary and 24 high school students. Two (2) of the high school students were not given their fare-support due to non-submission of report cards.
 - b. Four (4) students in high school, three (3) in Grade 7 and one in elementary availed of project support.
 - c. One (1) Y4Y Grade 7 student and two (2) college students were replaced because they cannot comply with ACE IPI requirements.
 - d. Twenty-five (25) out of 27 elementary & high school Y4Y students have submitted their report cards for second grading period.
2. Under the Other ACE IPI sponsorships:
 - a. Five (5) students received fare support.
 - b. Two (2) Grade 7 students availed of project support.
 - c. Five (5) high school Y4Y students have submitted their report cards for second grading period.
 - d. Five (5) College, seven (7) high school and two (2) Grade 7 students had access with the ACE IPI office computer/internet facility for their research assignments, book reports including printing of outputs.
 - e. Two (2) college students received their cash incentive for garnering a 1.80 & 1.69 GPA from their first semester of SY 2012-2013 equivalent to P500.00 & P800.00 respectively.

2. Assistance to Children of Inmates:

- Three (3) Y4Y families regularly attend the Values Formation sessions.

3. Community Action and Volunteerism:

- One Y4Y mother served as volunteer-documenter of the scheduled Values Formation session.

- Two mothers regularly served as office volunteers particularly in monitoring the youth and parents' attendance in special meetings, values formation and other worship activities.
- Seven (7) Y4Y mothers and one (1) Y4Y father from Lopezville, Riverville & Napoleon areas were assigned to handle budgeting, marketing and cooking of meals during Values Formation session. They also took charge of setting-up and cleaning the venue before and after the session.
- One (1) Y4Y youth and one father set-up the sound system used during the session.
- Two (2) Y4Y college students assisted the facilitator in handling the LCD and projector used during the session.
- Continuous visitation of the sick and survey of those who would like to receive the sacraments of baptism, confirmation and matrimony were conducted by two (2) Y4Y mothers from Napoleon area who are members of the Legion of Mary.
- One (1) Y4Y mother volunteer assisted two (2) Grade 7 students in their research work.

4. Support Services

- Continuously provided medicines and supply of rice to the mother of one Y4Y youth who is still recovering from heart attack.
- Individual counseling/coaching provided to graduating students as regards pertinent requirements from their chosen school/university before taking up the entrance exams. They, particularly those with good grades, were also encouraged to avail of the scholarship program of South S.E.E.D.

B. KALOOKAN CITY:

1. Values Formation (VF): This was held at the Homeowners' office, Magdalena II, Kalookan City, 10th of November. The session was attended by 13 Y4Y youth, Area Coordinator, Sam Torrejos and a guest-visitor Ms. Mhin Rubio who is also a resident of Kalookan and is willing to help out in the Christmas fellowship. The session was facilitated by Tes Gomez.

A. Focus of Discussion: Preparing for Advent

B. Sharing from Participants based on the question: What excites you every Christmas?

- 1) We look forward to family reunions and longer bonding with friends.
- 2) We love to buy for and receive gifts from relatives and friends.
- 3) A special time where family members go to Mass together particularly during the traditional Dawn Masses.
- 4) We seem to find time asking God to give us continued blessings.

Noted: Some of the youth also shared their joyful as well as sad Christmas experiences.

C. Reflections and Learnings:

The facilitator shared how a contemplative religious congregation of nuns found excitement and fun in prayer, amidst the simplicity of life- less consumerism, less technology. Therefore:

- 1) Let us also allow ourselves to be excited with Jesus Himself, with the chance to communicate with Him and be closer to Him.
- 2) Be sensitive to the needs of co-family members- our parents and our younger siblings- do we get to find the time to cheer them up?
- 3) Christmas is also an opportunity to refresh ourselves in the Faith-learning more thru the homilies, readings, going to Confession and trying to find a greater meaning and purpose in our lives.
- 4) Christmas is also a time to forgive, personally, those who have wronged or hurt us.

Note: The session ended with a “boyscout style” of prayer- cross-hands, with the right on top of the left hand- a symbolic expression that indeed, our lives are interconnected under one Fatherhood of God.

2. Educational Assistance (EA)

- Distributed the fare support of 10 in high school and the tuition-transportation-support for 3 in vocational. Another one in vocational has not enrolled yet.
- Provided the project support of 5 youth members, as requested.
- Received the receipts for project support and the Report cards of 7 youth beneficiaries,
- One youth in high school has been absenting in the distribution meetings due perhaps to the feeling of embarrassment as she was dropped from one subject. A meeting with the mother is being scheduled.

3. Community Action and Volunteerism:

- Peer counseling: One youth member conferred with a problematic co-member.
- The male Y4Y members clean the venue before and after every VF session.

C. LIVELIHOOD PROJECT:

- Production, promotion and selling of detergent powder, dishwashing gel, fabric conditioner, & liquid bleaching aid including liquid hand soap and hand sanitizers are still on-going.
- Alternative supplier of raw materials identified.

D. ADVOCACY & NETWORKING:

a) Resource Mobilization: Re-Proposal to “Pondo ng Pinoy” (PnP)

- The 2nd tranche of funding assistance amounting to P40,500 was received from the PnP Curia last November 8,
- Started drafting the required Report for the release of 3rd tranche of funding assistance.

b) Reporting to Sponsors/Donors:

- Acknowledged receipts of donations from three (3) Y4Y sponsors.
- Contacted Mr. Randy Manaloto of Jaycees who promised to help out renew the support of JCI Manila for the selected 10 youth members who did not received similar support this SY 2012.

II. ADMINISTRATIVE:

1. Y4Y Parañaque and Kalookan - Educational Assistance:

a. Facilitated the following:

- Distribution of fare-support and school projects to concerned Y4Y elementary & high school students on a weekly basis.
- Distribution of fare-support and tuition fees of college/vocational students for 2nd semester of SY 2012-2013.

b. Monitored the remaining balances of project support provided to each Y4Y elementary & high school students both from Parañaque & Kalookan.

c. Followed-up the submission of report cards of Y4Y elementary & high school as well as college/vocational students for their 2nd grading period and 1st semester respectively.

d. Provided cash incentives to two (2) college students whose GPA from their first semester was 1.80 & 1.69 respectively.

2. Y4Y Values Formation (Parañaque City)

- a. Assigned another group of Y4Y mothers who will take charge of budgeting, cooking and distribution of meal/snacks to participants in the Values Formation session.

- b. Facilitated the release and recording of required budget for the said activity.
- c. Coordinated with the resource speakers on the scheduled sessions as well as the preparation of the required materials to be used during the VF session.
- d. Monitored and recorded the attendance of both youth and parents in the parish as well as in ACE IPI's required activities.
- e. A Y4Y mother volunteer is periodically being coached on how to access the per area activities report on Values Formation attendance, etc.
- f. Prepared the consolidated attendance sheet of Y4Y youth and parents as pre-requisite for the corresponding Christmas gift package entitled for each Y4Y families.

3. Y4Y Values Formation (Kalookan City)

- Facilitated the release and recording of required budget for their activity.
- Submitted the attendance of member-beneficiaries for from January to November 2012.

4. Others:

- Facilitated the following:
 - a. The provision of assistance to clients and volunteers as stated under Support Services.
 - b. The release of budget for monthly payment of loan to PNSLAI as well as recording of expenses and preparation of monthly financial report.
 - c. Purchased the items corresponding to each gift package based on the allotted budget.

5. Office Documentation

- a. Performed all necessary bookkeeping and summarizing tasks pertinent to ACE IPI general funds, Pondo ng Pinoy CFI Fund support and R. Bruce's construction funds.
- b. Performed other regular pertinent duties i.e., issuance of receipts, check and petty cash payments, updating and inventory of files including safekeeping of all supplies and materials.
- c. Ongoing filing and updating of documents for easy retrieval and reference.
- d. Prepared the November 2012 narrative and financial reports.

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