“In the time of my favor I will answer you, and in the day of salvation I will help you; I will keep you and will make you to be a covenant for the people, to restore the land…”

Isaiah 49:8

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Greetings from HOPE worldwide family!

This year, the convictions of staff are strengthened due to tribulations in resolving cases of children being abused, maltreated and deprived of love and affection. More abused children are brought to the community-based centers and Center of Hope - Laguna for protective custody, appropriate interventions and facilitation of healing especially for those who suffered severe trauma.

The Philippines is one of the signatories of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child on 1991. This means the country pledged to prioritize the promotion of the rights of the Filipino children. Two decades have passed yet only few know about these rights. Every day we hear and read news on children being abused all throughout the country.

For the past half-decade, more than 150 children are assisted by the Center of Hope - Laguna and are successfully reintegrated to their families or supportive relatives. These children have received five-year education, medical and other basic needs assistance from the organization. The encouraging thing about this is that these children are able to get back to their homes and to their normal lives. Thus, the children's relationships with their families are restored and family values are strengthened.

Aside from children who have restored hope in their lives, the Centers of HOPE (Laguna, Baseco and Payatas) also have undergone restoration and renovation.

There are stories of restoration of hope in this annual report that we would like to bestow to all the donors, partners, volunteers and other stakeholders of the organization. Our aspiration is to have a stronger partnership to all of you in the years to come. Thank you so much!

Sincerely,
Moises G. Velasco Jr.

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**Christian-based**

We seek to follow the example of Jesus Christ’s sacrificial love and service. Our motive for serving the vulnerable and disadvantaged is faith and love and there is no ulterior motive.

**Accountability**

We are accountable to God, to our supporters and to our beneficiaries for the use of our time and resources. We endeavor to be as transparent as possible.

**Respect**

We are committed to good relationships with our partners, supporters, beneficiaries and colleagues, affirming the equal worth of each individual and showing compassion in all our interactions. We are committed to learning from others.

**Excellence**

We are committed to excellence in both the tangible and intangible aspects of service. We constantly strive for the highest levels of learning and performance in order to maximize our impact.
HOPE worldwide Philippines has established a model child welfare and protection system for Filipino Children in Especially Difficult Circumstances (CEDC). For more than a decade, it has provided essential medicines, supplies, professional services and most importantly caring full-time staff and volunteers who work directly with poor children.

Together with private donors, Philippine Department of Social Welfare and Development and other Non-Government Organizations, HOPE worldwide Philippines has engaged in campaigns and has established programs in promoting the rights of children. These programs focus on providing comprehensive child sexual abuse prevention and education services and on bringing abused children into a full recovery from identification to treatment, healing and reintegration as vibrant survivors.

HOPE worldwide Philippines also provides assistance to children in emergencies or victims of disasters and calamities. It addresses the children’s needs by providing services at every stage of the care continuum from short-term medical treatment to long-term psychosocial support such as provision of temporary shelter, re-integration and placement for orphans; conducting seminars on the prevention, identification, treatment of child abuse; integration of skills training and livelihood programs.

HOPE worldwide Philippines’ comprehensive system of child welfare touches over 50,000 poor children, youth and families annually. It maintains a sustained safety net for children and families while tackling the long-term problems that perpetuate child emergencies, abuse and poverty.

VISION

MISSION
HOPE worldwide Philippines is committed to living out Christian values by helping and empowering the poor and the needy.

GOAL
We aim to champion the rights of Filipino people, to protect them and ensure their wellbeing, to help them develop into confident, competent, and productive members of society, through the formation of programs, services and support systems with international standards of excellence.
Center of HOPE – Baseco (Community-Based)
Barangay 649, Bagong Lupa, Tondo Manila
Year Established: 1999
Programs & Services:
- Day Care & Feeding Program
- Community-Based Treatment & Recovery Program
Program Manager:
Melchor Vipinosa, Jr.

Center of HOPE – Payatas (Community-Based)
Lupang Pangako, Payatas B, Quezon City
Year Established: 2001
Programs & Services:
- Day Care & Feeding Program
- Community-Based Treatment & Recovery Program
Program Manager:
Jose Jolly Villaviza

Center of HOPE – Laguna (Residential-Based)
Biñan Laguna
Year Established: 2005
Programs & Services:
- Home Care Program
- Case Management Program
- Treatment & Recovery Program
- Day Care & Feeding Program
- Child Sponsorship Program
- Independent Living Program
Program Manager:
Russell Reyes

Center of HOPE – Laguna (Advocacy-Based)
Biñan Laguna
Year Established: 2003
- Mobile Puppet Theater 1 & Disaster Response Program
Program Manager:
Jerry Tonel

Center of HOPE – Cebu (Advocacy-Based)
Basak San Nicolas, Cebu City
Year Established: 2008
Programs & Services:
- Mobile Puppet Theater 2 & Disaster Response Program
Program Manager:
Jerry Tonel
Typhoon Ondoy (international codename: Ketsana) brought a month's worth of rainfall to Metro Manila and nearby areas within just few hours. The rain caused severe flooding which resulted in the loss of many lives and the displacement of hundreds of thousands of people.

HOPE worldwide Philippines' own residential facility Biñan, Laguna was not spared from the onslaught of Typhoon Ondoy. The center was submerged in four feet of water for almost three months. The children and staff residing in the center had to be relocated to a temporary shelter.
The start of this year marks the start of restoration of the Center of HOPE – Laguna. Restoration includes putting up fence between the administration building and residential cottages, mowing of children's playground, installation of nosing to all building stairs, and other minor repairs within the center and inside the residential cottages.

The restoration will not be completed without the help of the organization’s donors, partners and volunteers.
The Center of HOPE – Laguna is a residential treatment center for abused children in the Philippines, specializing in child sexual abuse. The center offers short-term and long-term residential care, treatment, and placement to meet the holistic needs of each child.

The center aims to see abused children and their families become whole again; one in which they attain social functioning in an environment where they interact constructively and develop a sense of hope that encourages both the child and their family to succeed.

**Highlight Story**

Nene (not her real name), 10 years old, was admitted in the Center of Hope- Laguna when she was aged three. She was a product of unwanted pregnancy of a lesbian mother.

Nene and her mother lived in a small bicycle built with small cart called Pedicab. Her mom used the pedicab for livelihood during daytime to transport passengers from one place to another and they used the pedicab during night time for shelter. Nene learned to fight the coldest temperature during night time and hot temperature during daytime on the busy streets of Manila. She also experienced multiple physical maltreatment by her mother every time she failed to earn money from begging on the streets.

When her mom was arrested by the police due to involvement with a crime on the streets, the police brought Nene to the Department of Social Welfare for protective custody and referred to the Center of Hope in 2005.

Nene was different when she entered the center. She had a bad temper, had poor hygiene and used to isolate herself. She had never met nor seen her father. She hated her mother. She used to feel sad when other children tell their stories about their families.

After almost six years of stay in the center, there has been a lot of improvement on Nene’s behavior. Her fights with other children and her frequent tantrums have, eventually, lessened. Several questions in her mind about her family have been slowly explained especially when her mother was released from jail.

Nene's wish to see and meet her biological father has become a possibility last August 2010 with the supervision of the center’s Case Management Department. She is now observed to be proud telling other children that she also has a family. The case management team is now evaluating the capacity of Nene’s mother for possible re-unification.

In one year, 30 abused children were given residential and treatment recovery in the Laguna Center of Hope and 80 urban poor children benefited thru the Daycare and Feeding program. Ten (10) new cases of abused children are admitted and benefited from the home life environment and were protected from further abuse in the community.

Basic needs such as shelter, food, education, recreational activities, medical assistance and most importantly, love and acceptance from the staff and volunteers were all provided for.

Ten (10) of the children were re-unified back to their families or supportive relatives with the help and monitoring of the center’s child therapist, social workers and with the coordination with local authorities. Three (3) female youths/survivors of abuse underwent the Independent Living Program wherein they were trained with their daily life skills and self-care skills in order to help them become responsible individuals. They were also provided with services such as counseling, therapy and stress debriefing to help them develop their functional behaviors. Also, they were given learning opportunities to be enrolled in formal or non-formal education or any livelihood/entrepreneurial trainings that would help increase their competence.
The Center of HOPE – Laguna Day Care program conducted its first Commencement Exercise last March 2010. The said activity was attended by 35 beneficiaries of the program together with their families, HOPE staff, visitors and HOPE Philippines Executive Director Moises Velasco Jr.

Children expressed theirthankfulness through the songs “Sana Pag-Ibig na Lang” (Wishing there is Love) and “Yesterday’s Dream”.

The Day Care Teachers were grateful for the opportunity given by the organization to make an impact to the children’s lives.

The community of Dela Paz in Laguna is prone to flooding due to its closeness to the Laguna Lake. Most of the Center of HOPE- Laguna Day Care Program pupils live near the swamp area of Dela Paz.

When it rains, the children need to ride a boat or to be carried by their parents to go to school. Some parents would prefer not to allow their children to go to school due to the hazards (which include skin diseases) of passing deep swamps.

The community does not also have access to clean water which is one of the reasons why some children often get sick. This circumstance leads to occasional absences of children from the Day Care.

We realized that there is a need to build a footbridge at the back of the Center of HOPE - Laguna so the Day Care beneficiaries can be safer as they go to school. The children could, then, walk on dry and safe ground and the parents would not need to worry anymore about their child getting sick. The management understood the need for the footbridge and they set the date for the construction project to start immediately.

Last July 2010, international and local volunteers decided to conduct community service at the center. One group was in charge in building a footbridge for the community. They were very motivated to work because they know that it will directly benefit our children.

Currently the bridge is being used by the community mostly by the children of the Center of HOPE – Laguna Day Care Program.
HOPE Para sa Bata (HOPE for the Children)...a half day activity full of fun and delight for the children staying in a temporary shelter. Children from 5-12 years old were the beneficiaries of this activity which was held last March 25, 2010 at the Victoria Cemetery (relocation site for typhoon survivors in Laguna). This served as a farewell activity for the children before they went back to their own houses/communities. With the help of the volunteers, the event was a success!

Different stations were set-up to maximize the event making sure that children experienced all the activities being prepared. There are five simultaneous activities for each group of children.

The Face Painting Station allowed children to be painted in their faces by the volunteers with different art works. Children were encouraged to play statue dance game at the Dance Station. Children had fun playing and dancing with each other. A video karaoke was set-up under the Music Station where kids are given the opportunity to sing (with microphone) their favorite songs. It was a music therapy, indeed.

At the Story Telling Station, the children got the chance to hear the story of “Gaya”. The story talked about having self-worth and being the best a person can be. The story tellers were consisted of two volunteers and a staff of HOPE. The children learned and experienced artworks at the Collage Station. Materials were given to the children to bring out their imagination by creating a collage-based drawing.

After going through the five stations, children are given snacks and a 30-minute rest. Then a puppet show became the team’s finale. A freedom wall was also set-up so children and volunteers could express themselves by writing on the cloth pasted on the wall. It was tiring and exhausting day for the staff and the volunteers yet a fulfilling one. One encouragement received was when the children danced after the puppet show as a way of saying “thank you” to the organizers.

“Making the Philippines a safer place for all children.”

HOPE worldwide has two Mobile Puppet Theater (MPT 1 & 2) groups travel around the main islands in the Philippines: Luzon and Central Visayas regions performing real life scenarios using puppetry in a bid to engender the confidence children need to prevent, escape and report abuse.

National Awareness Week

The second week of February was observed as the “National Awareness Week for the Prevention of Child Sexual Abuse and Exploitation”. The Department of Education Cebu City Division issued a memo to support the week-long activity in the schools. Within this event, the team collaborated with the teachers in two schools, namely, Bulacao Community School and Barrio Luz Night High School. The teachers taught the Children’s Personal Safety Session wherein 2,827 children gained skills and knowledge on how they can personally protect themselves from sexual abuse. The teachers facilitated the sessions as they incorporated this topic in their Social Studies subject and Values Education lesson plan.

The MPT-Cebu team conducted IEC (Information Education and Communication) Coloring, Slogan and Poster Making Contest at Bulacao Community School. Eighteen (18) contestants participated in the event (nine pupils for Coloring Contest for Grades I-III; nine pupils for the Slogan and Poster Making Contest for Grades IV-VI). Their artworks, basically, reinforced the newly acquired knowledge and skills of all pupils on the protection of oneself from sexual abuse. Selected pupils also performed during the said activity.
The Center of HOPE community-based program (Baseco and Payatas) provides urban poor children with educational and feeding assistance, medical assistance, child sponsorship, family development and parent effectiveness trainings, and the prevention, identification, recovery, and treatment of child abuse.

The Community Based Centers of Hope provide early childhood care and development services for children and families in two of the poorest communities in Metro Manila namely, Baseco (located at Port Area Manila) and in Payatas (located in Quezon City). The Day Care Program is a family - friendly and culture sensitive program that seeks to facilitate the psychological, emotional, physical, spiritual and mental development of children ages five (5) to six (6) years old.

The primary goals of the program is to ensure that every child is adequately prepared for primary school, to help them become healthy via supplemental feeding and to be empowered to protect themselves against any form of abuse.

Day Care Program served a total of 157 children when it opened last June of 2010. In Baseco there are 82 children enrolled while there are 75 children admitted in Payatas. The program’s trained teachers and staff implement the Early Childhood Care and Development curriculum developed by the DSWD.

Tutorials are provided for children who are observed to be slow learners while others are provided with extra activities to enhance their capacities and to develop their self-esteem.

Other professionals such as Psychiatrists and Medical Doctors are also consulted to meet the specific needs of the children. This approach enabled the program in providing the highest standard of care for the children.
The Center of HOPE- Baseco facility, through the help of Wings of Support Foundation, has undergone a center-wide renovation this year.

A **hallway** is built between the therapy room and the office in order to provide privacy for the therapy room users. It is painted with a mural that depicts a story of abuse and how to respond to such situation. The floors are rubberized for child safety and then covered with linoleum for easy cleaning.

Custom-made mid-sized cabinets are installed on the **therapy room** for toy (used for play therapy) storage. For a calming environment, an aquarium with fish is set-up. For children’s comfort and safety, a sofa bed and air cooler is added to the room. Now, children love to stay in the room not only for play, counseling and therapy.

The **staff office** is now very conducive for work. The floors are cemented and tiled for a cooler and lighter ambience. Walls are repainted and cubicles are installed. For proper filing, wall cabinets are also installed. Office furniture and custom-made conference table make the room look professional yet homey.

The **kitchen** is constructed from scratch. The walls are cemented and painted with light blue. The countertop is tiled and while a new kitchen sink is installed. Cupboards are also added for condiments and spices storage. The place, where the children’s food is being cooked and prepared, is now more hygienic.

The **playground** also undergoes renovation as well. The slides, see-saw and swing is repaired and repainted. Cyclone wire fence is repaired while a barbed wire is installed on top of it to prevent stealing of playground materials. Sands and cushions were added for children’s safety.

The staff and children from Baseco are very grateful for the people who helped renovate the center. Now, more children are maximizing and enjoying the facilities.

After a series of marketing promotion, the much hyped race of the year happened last October 24 at Bonifacio Global City, Taguig. Even non-runners knew what the **Adidas King of the Road 2010** is; and a lot registered and participated to run for the 5k, 10k or 21k category. The event boasted more than 10,000 runners, flooding the streets, excited to run and be considered as the King of the Road.

Nolet Puno (second from left), Country Manager of Adidas Philippines, turned over the Php150,000 proceeds of the King of the Road 2010 to HOPE worldwide Phils. Adidas Philippines has partnered with HOPE worldwide Phils. for its Corporate Social Responsibility for the past two years. Adidas employees are involved not only in raising funds for abused children but are also directly involved in different programs of HOPE worldwide Phils.
The Center of HOPE – Payatas front yard undergoes landscaping with the help of Adidas Philippines on the last quarter of 2010. Santan, grasses, wild tea and other shrubs are planted around the center. Wash area is also set-up near the playground to encourage children to practice hygiene and proper hand washing.

**Inagiku Restaurant** (a world-class Japanese restaurant in Manila) executives and employees have been benevolent enough to provide a Christmas Party for the Day Care pupils of the Center of HOPE - Baseco. The group has been giving smiles to the children for the past four Christmases.

Day Care pupils, aged 5-6 years old, received special treatment from the Inagiku staffs headed by Mr. Ishikawa. The children played with the employees who served as the children’s Ate and Kuya (Big Sister and Big Brother) for the day. They ate together while spending time with the mascots of the food chain where the party was held. Children were also given Noche Buena packages (Christmas Eve meal package) that they could share with their families.

These children came from one of the most depressed communities in Manila. The Baseco community is a marshland where shanties are elevated and built on stilts. One can only enter the area via boat or by walking on 10-20 inch wooden planks. The day care pupils usually walk 30-45 minutes to attend classes at the Center of HOPE - Baseco.

Indeed, the children of Center of HOPE - Baseco enjoyed not only the food, gifts and packages given to them but the time and effort the Inagiku staff shared to them. Such moment is timeless.
Financial Report

Revenue for 2010

- Foreign Grants & Donations: 73.18%
- Local Donations: 21.62%
- Other Income/Foreign Currency Adjustment: 5.20%

Total Revenue: Php 11,364,865.73

Expenses for 2010

- Center of HOPE - Laguna: 39.83%
- Center of HOPE - Baseco: 14.71%
- Center of HOPE - Payatas: 12.98%
- Volunteers: 9.77%
- HOPE Mobile Puppet Theater - Visayas: 8.32%
- HOPE Mobile Puppet Theater - Luzon: 8.26%
- CBTAP: 4.33%
- School Sponsorship: 1.01%
- Admin/Fundraising: 0.80%

Total Expenses: Php 14,164,434.68
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