



SEPTEMBER 2020 ISSUE SMALL MIRACLES

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE CHOSEN CHILDREN VILLAGE

CCV OPENS THE GATES TO THREE NEW ANGELS!

Every child is a blessing.

This is very clear to everyone here in the village. Thus, we cannot be more delighted to welcome not one, not two, but three new children to our fold this month of September.

The first two admissions were Angelo and Daniel. Both two years old, these boys came from the **Faith, Hope and Love (FHL) Kids' Ranch** in Sariaya, Quezon. FHL is very much like our village; their mission was to give a home to abandoned, abused, neglected, and orphaned children. However, they had to close their residential program. We're honored that they considered CCV as the ideal home for their beloved children.

Our third angel, John Kevin, was admitted to the village exactly two weeks after Angelo and Daniel entered our gates. He's extra special; he was born premature at 35 weeks. **Bahay Sandigan Tahanan ng Batang Pinoy** referred him to us because they do not have the resources and proper facilities to care for a child with special needs.

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Despite his health issues, John Kevin is a happy baby with an infectious smile. He is a fighter and we are confident that like Daniel and Angelo, he will thrive with his new brothers and sisters here at the Chosen Children Village.



Daniel and Angelo spent two weeks in quarantine with Mama Madel (caregiver) and Mama Jo-Anne (social worker) at the clinic before joining the other toddlers and Baby DapDap at Cottage 4.

SUPPORT OUR NEW ANGELS!

The addition of Angelo, Daniel and John Kevin to the village brings the total number of children in the village to 74. All these children have physical and mental disabilities that require special care, medical attention, rehabilitation, and education.

Thus we are appealing to your kind and generous hearts to help us fulfill our mission of providing a permanent, loving home to the God's special children. You can:

- **SPONSOR ONE OF OUR NEWEST ANGELS.** For as little as Php400/month or Php4,800 a year, you can help fund the daily care of either Angelo, Daniel, or John Kevin.
- **DONATE FINANCIALLY OR IN-KIND.** Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, monetary and in-kind donations are at an all-time low. Your donations, no matter how small, will be highly appreciated during this time of great need.

For in-kind donations, kindly refer to the village wishlist below.

VILLAGE WISHLIST

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| • Eggs, sugar and cooking oil | • Laundry bleach and detergent |
| • Oatmeal for toddlers | • Deodorant and undies for older children |
| • Fruits and juices, biscuits and other snacks | • Alcohol, gloves, chlorine, sanitizing products |
| • Milk (fresh or powdered), Enfamil Lactose-Free for Baby Kim | • Laundry detergent and bleach |
| • Vitamins for children and staff to boost immune system | • Dishwashing products |

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VILLAGE UPDATES



LOCK-IN EXTENDED FOR ANOTHER MONTH

To revitalize the country's economy, certain provinces were put under the modified general community quarantine (MGCQ) in early September. This included Cavite, which meant that we also had to reconsider our current lock-in arrangement.

Presently, there are staff who remain locked-in with our wheelchair-bound children at Arantza Rehabilitation Center. We are beyond grateful that they have volunteered to stay with the children. But we also have to consider the effects that six months of lockdown have on their physical and mental health. They also have families to consider and we are sure they are eager to see them.

Our Board of Trustees has gone with the recommendation to extend the lock-in for another month. This will give us time to transfer and get the children settled in one of the cottages. This would also allow our residential department to address any scheduling issues and determine if we have enough caregivers to remain on duty once the locked-in staff goes for their much-deserved leave.



SCHOOL'S BACK! TEACHER LENNY RETURNS TO CCV

The School for Chosen Children Village (TSCC) is once again a bustling hub of activity with the arrival of **Teacher Lenicia Tuyac** as it's learning resource manager. We can say that this is almost a homecoming for Teacher Lenny as she previously served as the principal of TSCC.

One of Teacher Lenny's top priorities was to conduct a Psycho-Educational Assessment of the six toddlers, namely Athena, Ejay, Jay-M, Juan Diego, Silver, and Yassie. She combined the Brigance Diagnostic Inventory of Early Development and the feedback from our occupational therapist and caregivers to determine the developmental level of the aforementioned children. She then used the results to develop an educational plan for each child.

Teacher Lenny also assessed the reading comprehension and mathematical skills of the older boys - Nino, Charlie, Michael and Oliver - to determine their learning level and needs.



THE DOCTOR IS IN!

Six months of lockdown has set back the medical assessment and treatment of our children. Up to now, our children are not allowed to go outside for their doctor's appointments and dental concerns.

Thankfully, we now have a medical consultant doing house calls. His name is **Doctor Roldan Saulog** and is part of the medical team that performs the rapid COVID-19 testing for our staff.

For September, Dr. Saulog focused on checking up our toddlers and updating their medical records. Mama Kathy, a nursing graduate and one of our residential supervisors, and Mama Madel, one of our caregivers for Cottage 4, were present during the checkup. Dr. Saulog interviewed them to get their medical impressions of the children.

With his quiet and caring demeanor, Dr. Saulog has made our children comfortable during checkups. He has also developed an easy rapport with our staff. We're looking forward to having him take care of our children's health for a long time.



HEALTH CENTER ADMINISTERS POLIO DROPS TO TODDLERS

Last year, on September 19th, the Department of Health (DOH) declared an outbreak of polio in the country. Polio is a highly infectious disease that attacks a person's nervous system and causes sudden onsets of paralysis. It can be debilitating which is why the country rejoiced when the government declared a total eradication of this disease in 2000.

But with the re-emergence of polio, there is a cause for concern. We are very happy that our local government has sent health workers to the village to administer the second round of polio drops to our toddlers and Baby DapDap. Thank you, DOH and Barangay Lalaan 2!

RESIDENTIAL UPDATES

Aside from the daily care of the children, our Residential Staff became busy planning different activities for our special angels.

In Cottage 4, the toddlers had writing and arts activities. One of the highlights is the hand-painting activity. This was an opportunity for the children to learn about textures and colors.



Over at Cottage 8, the Hyperactive Boys kept their caregivers on their toes by testing the boundaries of what they can and cannot do inside their cottages. To help expel their energies, the caregivers put them to task of cleaning their cottage and nearby areas.



Our caregivers also got very handy with a razor as they gave some of the boys, both toddlers and hyperactives, the haircut they need.



REHABILITATION UPDATES

Our rehabilitation team continues to help the children with their physical issues. It's amazing how much progress they have made since their rehabilitation sessions resumed last month.



SHOE DRIVE SUCCESS!

We would like to thank everyone who has responded to our **Shoe Drive** last month. In case you missed it, we put a small blurb on our newsletter about needing shoes, pre-loved or new, for our boys. We also posted about it on our Facebook and Instagram accounts.

We are overwhelmed with the responses we received from our social media followers. More than a dozen people messaged us with interest and we received boxes of shoes. Special thanks goes to **Ms. Ging Domingo Santos** for 3 boxes of pre-loved shoes and toys for our children.



ACTS OF KINDNESS



Donations

Thank you to these wonderful people for dropping by with their donations for September 2020.

- Monica Dela Cruz
- Leilani O. Arambulo
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We are very honored that **Ms. Marie Abigail Andales** has selected Chosen Children Village Foundation, Inc. as a partner/beneficiary for her business, **Bakesomy**. For September, she raised Php 2,732 for the village and this would go towards the daily needs of our children.

Abby bakes mouthwatering cookies with the help of her sister Alyssa, who has special needs like our very own angels. They can deliver around Tagaytay area any day of the week and in Manila once a week. To order, [click here](#) [fill out the order form](#).

Birthday CORNER

We launched our very first virtual birthday party last September 28th. Our featured celebrant is Michael Camu, one of the Independent Boys in the village.

Michael's special day was celebrated with dances and a special song number from his brothers Nino and Charlie. The toddlers also joined in on the fun and danced with their kuyas. Michael also had a solo dance number choreographed by Teacher Lenny.

The Independent Girls couldn't be in the party area with the boys but they also partied on the other side of the wall. Together, they feasted on spaghetti and fried chicken prepared by Dave with the supervision of Mama Bing.

Michael treated his brothers and sisters to cake and ice cream. He became emotional when he was thanking everyone, especially his sponsors, towards the end of the party. You can watch the whole celebration along with the greetings of the staff by clicking the Play button on the image above.

Chosen Children Village relies solely on private donors to fulfill its mission of providing a permanent home to abandoned and surrendered children with physical and mental disabilities.

This virtual party is just one of the new, creative ways we've come up with to raise funds for children in the village.



*Thank You to the
following individuals who
donated during Michael's
Birthday Bash*

JULY RAIN
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OCTOBER BABIES!

Here's a list of the other children celebrating their birthdays this October. If one of them is your sponsored child and you would like to send a gift, just let us know!



Ivan
October 7



Miguel
October 13



Maggie
October 16



John Eudes
October 19



Jenny
October 23



Silver
October 23

SEND A GIFT



DO YOU KNOW...

We spend Php 25,000 per month on the milk of 9 toddlers and one lactose-intolerant infant. Now that we have 3 new angels, we roughly need an additional Php 5000 to meet their monthly milk supply.



Please spread the word...

Chosen Children Village currently cares for 74 children with physical and mental disabilities. We are always looking for individuals and organizations to help us fulfill our mission of providing a permanent, loving home for these abandoned and surrendered children.

You would be doing us a great service if you will share our website and/or brochure with your family, friends, and colleagues. By doing so, you will be helping us reach potential sponsors and donors. Thank you!

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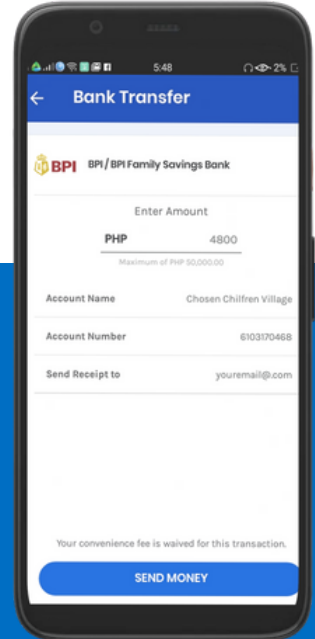
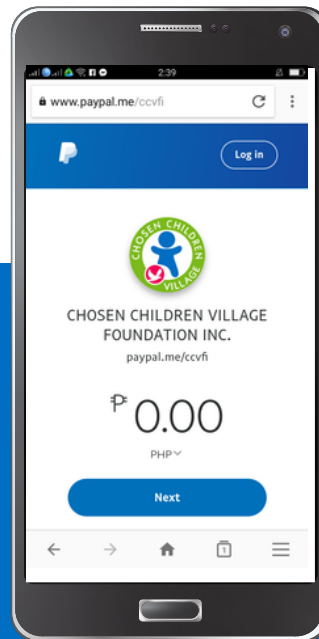


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