


Thank You! Fiscal Report

EXP: \$5,055	INC: \$5,304
Family: \$1,036	Gifts: \$5,195
Ministry: \$4,000	Hon: \$89
Debt: \$19	Interest: \$20
YTD STATUS: 99% (-\$587)	

Special Projects



5/6TH GRADE BUILDING:
LABOR/LAND: \$45,000
RAISED: \$24,460



BARNER CAR: 5/6th Grd. Bld.
GOAL: \$12,400 MAT'LS:\$45,000
RAISED\$11029 RAISED:\$23,467



BLC CHILDREN'S EMERGENCY MEDICAL FUND:

BLC'S MEDICAL FUND IS AN ANSWER TO PRAYER FOR MANY FILIPINOS:

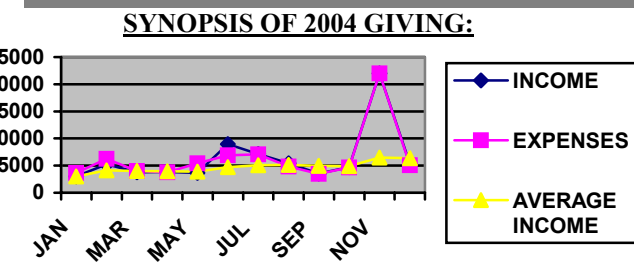
The poor most often live in neighborhoods in which their neighbors are also poor. This geographic concentration of poverty exacerbates the negative social and economic consequences of being poor, especially for children.

International BLC Sponsorships (801-BLC)

The BLC (Barner Learning Center) International Kinderschool Sponsorship Program is an opportunity for Filipino children who otherwise might not be able to afford a quality Christian education to obtain schooling at no cost to their families through the "adoption" of their financial schooling obligations by international supporters. For support of those at ages 2 through 15, the fee is \$20 (P1000) per month.

Each Sponsorship covers the following: tuition, enrollment, books, uniform, registration, dental checkup, insurance, medical checkup, ID card/jacket, instructional materials, PTA & library & campus fees, school publications, graduation fee & gown, yearbook, field trip transportation costs, boy/girl scout membership & uniforms, gym fee, and basic school supplies (notebooks, pencils, etc.).

Please send to Christian Aid Mission (address below)



EXP TOTAL: \$77,101	INC TOTAL: \$76,514
Family: \$16,041	Gifts: \$72,431
Ministry: \$60,834	Honorariums: \$ 843
Debt: \$ 228	Interest: \$ 240

PLEASE PRAY:

- THAT BY APRIL 2005 WE WILL HAVE THE \$14,000 STILL NEEDED TO BUILD OUR ELEMENTARY BUILDING'S 2ND FLR. TO HOUSE GOV'T-REQUIRED PRACTICAL EDUC. ROOMS.

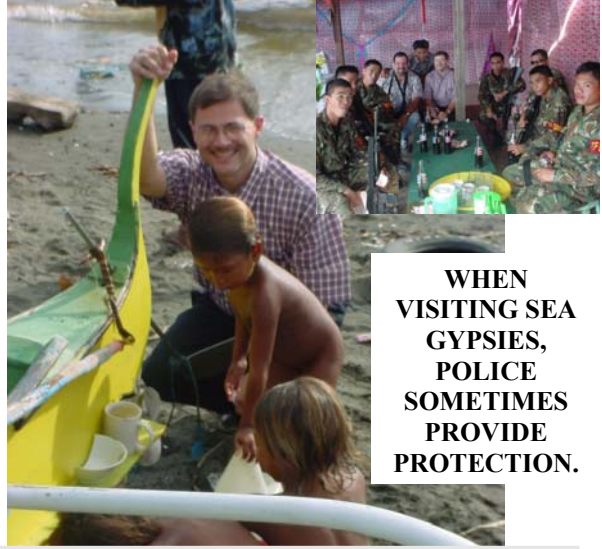
STAFF NOTEBOOK: Teacher Olive, Grade 4

"I taught the children a new song after 2 and 3 digit multiplication and spelling. At first they were too shy to sing n front of the class. But when we ran out of time in the class, they all wanted to stay and sing!"

2005 Pepper*

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GOVERNMENT INSPECTORS COME AND EVALUATE OUR NEW FIFTH GRADE CLASSROOM FACILITIES, FACULTY AND STUDENTS.

PROVERBS 31 GALS!

“She sets about her work vigorously; her arms are strong for her tasks.”-Proverbs 31:17

Rain clouds gathered daily in increasing measure & floodwaters threatened to engulf Barner Learning Center yet once more. It was a race against time: a race we feared we'd lose. 8 yrs of floods took their toll on us.

The two dozen diggers, masons and steelworkers were getting weary after two weeks of working hard to build up our dirt road one meter higher and lay a 6-inch thick concrete “slab” on top of it, with drainage canals underneath. A friend in Delhi, New York had given us funds for the work.

As the women looked on, one grabbed a shovel and declared, “Looks like you men need some help!” Elvie primed the pump by offering the ladies a nickel a sack to dig the dirt and move it. These women would have put John Henry to shame. One needy mom and her 9 yr old son filled 200 sacks! Others averaged 30. By the end of the day these women had literally moved a small mountain.

Not to be outdone, the men, working side-by-side with these ladies, shifted into high gear. Flexing their muscles & sweating puddles, they welded down the final bars just as the rain clouds burst their sides in torrents.

Thanks Proverbs 31 ladies!

CHANGED LIVES

“Then Agrippa said to Paul, ‘Do you think that in such a short time you can persuade me to be a Christian?’” –Acts 26:28

In tears Esther listened to the sermon on Paul’s testimony before King Agrippa, thinking back to the few years that her four boys had studied here at Barner Learning Center.

Surrounded by the warmth of Christian fellowship, she, with her Muslim husband and 4 children, felt a special unity like never before. The future looked bright. Barner Learning Center and Faith Fellowship Church were transforming their lives wonderfully.

But then the grandfather, an imam (Muslim priest) demanded that the boys be pulled out of both the church and school. To maintain family harmony they complied. Quickly, the family crumbled.

Esther’s husband found another woman and abandoned his wife, four boys, and newborn baby girl. The boys got thinner and thinner, sacrificing for their little sister. Finally Esther found a job that paid a dollar and fifty cents a day, selling pearls that came from sea gypsies who dove into the reefs to retrieve these treasures.

A small cup of rice and maybe a dried fish or two would have to suffice to fill a corner of their growling little tummies. Then after 3 years of absence, Esther saw Elvie at the mall. She called and waved. Before long they were kneeling down on the floor, crying and praying together.

“Esther, come join us at church tomorrow. You have been gone too long!” This morning there she was, beaming in the very front row with blushing cheeks and a great big smile. Her girl was on her lap and her starving little boys were filled with more than just nourishment, but Spiritual truths as well. They energetically answered the questions I asked the Sunday School kids’ class, having treasured for three years the truths they had learned. Jesus truly does heal broken hearts and lives!



BEBING & SON FILL SACKS WITH GRAVEL FOR THE WORKERS TO RAISE & PAVE BLC’S DIRT ROAD.

CAN I HELP?

Praise God. From all over the world, sponsors of BLC kids sent funds for the kids to have Christmas gifts. One woman who does not even sponsor a child, gave \$50 when she heard that the kids, upon receiving their new clothes, had to wait until they got home to try them on, as they were so poor they had no underwear!

Some also asked, “How else can I help the families?” The problem with giving money to poor families is that it makes them dependent on aid, and lethargic. So we are offering odd jobs to families that are unemployed, paying them with funds given by YOU. These jobs/funds will provide for the families until they can find jobs.

**YOU KNOW YOU ARE A FILIPINO IF...
You eat using your hands (no silverware)
- and have it down to a technique!**

**DO YOU HAVE A VALENTINE’S DAY PROJECT?
THESE ARE NEEDS THAT WE HAVE TO SUPPLY
BEFORE APRIL 2005 ON BLC’S CONSTRUCTION:**



**44 Fl Bulb sets: \$4 each
10 door jambs: \$17 each
Fire Escape: \$357
Home Ec Room: \$4000
Windows/frames: \$2000
Manhours
(80,000): 25cents/hr
Ventilation Windows: \$178**