

MAR Thank You!

Report on Finances:

EXP:	\$08,523	INC:	\$08,523
Family:	\$02,130	Gifts:	\$08,286
Ministry:	\$06,151	Hon'ium:	\$00,217
2008 Debt Paid:	\$00.242	Interest:	\$00.020

BLC 2010 STATUS (Not Incl. Sponsorships):
 2010 INCOME:\$29,784/EXPENSES:\$66,783
 45% {- \$48,552: TOTAL OUTSTANDING}
 PAID DEBT PRINCIPLE LAST MONTH: \$242

Special Projects

THREE
 NEW BLC JEEPNEYS:
 NEED: \$30,000
 RAISED: \$2,415



PICKUP: GOAL: \$14,000
 RAISED \$10,600



BLC CHILDREN'S EMERGENCY MEDICAL FUND

"A generous man will prosper; he who refreshes others will himself be refreshed". -Proverbs 11:25

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

International BLC Sponsorships (801-BLC)

The BLC (*Barner Learning Center*) International Student 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 \$25 (P1250) per month.

Each Sponsorship covers the following: tuition, enrollment, books, registration, dental checkup, insurance, medical checkup, ID card, instructional materials, PTA & library & campus fees, school publications, graduation fee & gown, 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)

PLEASE PRAY: THAT BY MAY 1ST WE FIND A REASONABLY-PRICED HOUSE TO SERVE AS A DROP-OFF CENTER FOR STREET KIDS.

PRaise GOD!: THAT BLC'S 3RD CROP IS ALREADY BEING PLANTED ON THE ROOF TO FEED THE 500



BLC KIDS LOVE VISITORS. YEARS AGO, ELVIE AND I STOOD IN AS SURROGATE PARENTS AT A WEDDING. NOW, THEIR BABY MEETS BLC'S KIDS.

THE 500 BLC KIDS ARE BUSY STUDYING TO PREPARE FOR FINAL EXAMS. GRADUATION WILL BE IN MARCH, FOLLOWED BY 2 MONTHS OF SUMMER SCHOOL FOR ALL.



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MUSICIANS PRACTICE IN BLC'S MULTIPURPOSE BAND/HOME-EC/SCIENCE/SHOP BLD

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**FAITH ACADEMY KIDS STUFF
SUPPLY FOLDERS FOR BLC KIDS**



**O.C.A.
(OVER-SEAS
CARE
ABROAD)
DOCTORS
HELP BLC
TO GIVE
MEDICAL
AID TO
POOR
KIDS'
FAMILIES**



**MIKE, A LAWYER FROM USA,
VISITS SQUATTER KIDS' HOMES**



**OUR NEW "FATHER'S HOUSE"
GOVERNING BOARD PLANS A
HOME FOR STREET KIDS.**

**HAPPY HEARTS' DAY!
"Thank you, teachers!"**

February is "Heart's Month" in the Philippines. To celebrate, the 500 BLC students host a "Teacher Appreciation Day," near the date of Valentine's Day.

"Thanks for the delicious food!" read one child into the microphone, from his home-made card. As the bus drivers, cooks, janitors and security guards lined up on the stage, the kids brought up their wildflowers, home-made colorful cards, and of course lots of hugs and drooly kisses for them.

Next were the secretaries and school nurse, followed by the teachers. With hands full of cards and flowers, the staff's smiles spread from ear-to-ear.

Special songs and dramas were presented by each class. As kids of all shapes and sizes brought their gifts, some teachers had their arms so full that they had to stack the treats up at their feet.

Hugs and kisses from toothless smiles once again smothered the preschool teachers' faces. With their hearts full to bursting, the staff was treated to an afternoon at a swimming pool.

Games and exercise were a great way to process the delight of being appreciated by these waifs who otherwise would have their lives in danger from motorists while the kids begged in the middle of the streets.

As many students handed me cards and red roses, a crippled student was carried to the stage in the arms of his mom. The rose he handed me was white, not red. Different, as he was.

As I smelled the rose's sweet fragrance, I considered how the thankfulness of these delightful children was like the fragrance, wafted heavenward, when we pray to Him through our actions to help these who are helpless.

**THE "KARLA CAN"
"What a childhood!"**

Karla shared about how she suffered a violently abusive childhood, heightened by her father's abandoning the family.

Years later, while in college, a friend gave her a Gospel tract: "The Four Spiritual Laws." That is what God used to lead her to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ. One of her first acts, as a new believer, was to find her father and forgive him.

After college, she joined the group that had written that Gospel tract: Campus Crusade for Christ (CCC). She now distributes tracts on Davao's college campuses and starts Bible Studies among the students. Representing CCC, she visited Davao Christian Leaders Foundation (DCL), of which I am a trustee.

"Karla," I asked after the meeting ended, "Could you share your testimony this Wednesday evening at our weekly prayer meeting?" She agreed, though it was a frightening yet exciting new experience for her. After prayer meeting was over, Elvie and I took her out to eat at our favorite barbecue place.

"Sorry we have no money to give you," we explained to her, "since we are deeply in debt. But we will pray for you." When we got home, PJ and Abby had a proposal for us. "Dad, you pay us each Sunday to teach in Sunday School. We already give 10% for our tithe, to church. Can we give another 10% for our offering, to Karla?"

To help them fulfill their commitment, I made pumpkin pie. When opening the 2 cans of evaporated milk, I put a long slit in each can's top. Those two cans became our kids' "Karla Cans." Every week they give their tithe to the church, and their additional offering goes into their Karla cans. As to the remaining 80% (\$5), they deposit that into their bank accounts.

When the cans become full, we will take Karla out to eat again and give her the cans. Then, we'll have more pumpkin pie to start 2 new cans!

An added blessing is that Karla sends us email messages telling of her progress, and PJ and Abby are busy praying for her.

**A BRASS COMMUNION SET,
DONATED BY A USA CHURCH**



**LOCAL PASTORS GATHER AT
BLC & PRAY FOR THE KIDS.**



YOU KNOW YOU ARE A FILIPINO IF...

In a community or worship program, you call special music or a solo, a "Surprise Number".

MISSIONS PROJECTS:

- Metal gym pillars: \$1,000
- 3 Jeepney-buses: \$30,000
- Tables for I.Arts: \$650
- 435 desk-chairs: \$14 each
- 17 Wall fans: \$45 each
- H2O compressor: \$800
- Teachers' mailboxes: \$360
- Library computer/printer \$479

FAQ: (Frequently Asked Question):

Q: Why am I never billed for the monthly sponsorship of my BLC child?

A: All of BLC's child sponsorships are categorized by the IRS as charitable donations. Therefore we consider it an honor to receive your sacrificial \$25 per month, and trust you to remember when you have paid.