

# Care Corner Orphanage Foundation

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**DEFINITION :**

**“Chut”:** Hmong tradition among the tribal where a boy interested in a Hmong girl, is allowed to kidnap her during the Hmong New Year. After the three days probation period, if the boy is pleased with the girl, he may take her as his wife if not, he would return her to her family.

**“Ajan”:** A term of respect for a teacher or a professor.

**“Sarawat”:** A term given to a high ranking official in the police force; a lieutenant colonel.

**W I F E S N A T C H I N G**

Hello! My name is Suchat. I am one of the staff here at Care Corner Orphanage Foundation. My story begins one Sunday morning, in April, as I was ushering the children to church.

I received an unexpected visitor, a school friend of Tasawan approached me and quite anxiously told me that Tasawan had been **Chut**. Tasawan, a girl from the orphanage, had gone back to her village to visit her sister. I couldn't believe it, so together with some of the orphanage children, we set out to Tasawan's village.

Our plan was to verify Tasawan's safety, and if what her brother said was true, we were to go immediately back to the orphanage and let the

villagers where Tasawan was until some neighbors brought us to a house. When I entered the compound, Tasawan saw us, she came running towards me,



**Suchat, a junior staff at CCO, was also a child from the orphanage.**

grabbed my arm and told me to help her leave this place, so I asked to speak to her guardian. The moment those words left my mouth, the people hanging around the compound surrounded us.

shouting in her native tongue. Amidst the chaos occurring behind me, I was only focused on the youths in front of me. The kidnapper was furious. With a grunt the boy leaped towards me, pulled out his machete as he ran and swung the blade. The machete came down, only to be caught in the tree log standing next to me. The blade slipped out of the handle, bounced off the tree log and catapulted back to the boy, lounging itself into the boy's leg. I turned around and shouted at the kids to get back into the car. In the process, the girls lost their hold on Tasawan. Before we could leave, the villagers surrounded our truck with machetes and guns. We were trapped. On one side, were the older women of the

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police take over. But like all things in life, nothing went according to plan.

Half way up the mountain towards the Hmong village, we got lost. Along the way, we stopped to ask the

Two things started happening at once. An older woman, who turned out to be the kidnapper's mother, started pulling and twisting Tasawan out of the hold of the children, slapping the girls holding onto Tasawan, and

village and on the other side were the youths. Each side were yelling and threatening us. For two hours we sat there, our only hope was to contact **Ajan** Ricky who in turn connected us to **Sarawat** Apichat.

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**W I F E S N A T C H I N G C O N T .**

By this time, the girls in the car were terrified, tears running unchecked by some of the boys too. Finally, Tasawan's uncle came back from working in the fields, and managed to talk to the villagers in letting us go provided we give them no more trouble.

The police finally met up with us while we were on our way down, after Tasawan's guardian let us go.

Knowing our situation, four policemen and I went back to the village and brought all the perpetrators, including Tasawan and her uncle to the police station.

When **Ajan** Ricky and **Ajan** Lay Hwa finally came to the police station to resolve the situation, the relief on all of our faces were palpable. It turned out that Tasawan's uncle, the same uncle who first brought her to

Care Corner Orphanage was the Mastermind who arranged for her to be **Chut**.

It was surely by the grace of God that everyone of us were protected and unharmed. Even as the blade was coming down, even when the entire villagers had poured into the street, surrounding us, God protected us. I have never felt God's protection as much as I'd felt that evening. Praise God!

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**Jenpop's father in April.**

prison due to drug trafficking,

**A S I L A Y D Y I N G . . .**

On the same day that Suchat and the group of children went up to the mountains in search of Tasawan, Ricky and Lay Hwa were in the opposite direction, up in the mountain, visiting one of the staff's father. Soon after he was released from

Jenpop's father discovered that he had HIV/AIDs virus. According to the doctors, he only had one more month left to live, so Jenpop brought Ricky and Lay Hwa to pray for his father. After two months, Jenpop's father is still alive and recovering and has since received Christ into his life! Praise the Lord. Now that he

is physically getting better, please pray that he will also find the will and direction to live on.



**Jenpop's father in June.**

**N E W C H I L D R E N**

Every year, around the month of May, we receive new children. This year we received eight children, one of which is HIV/AIDs positive. Each child comes from a different background, some where abandoned by both sets of parents and left in the care of their grandparents.

Some were from broken homes, others are truly orphans with both sets of parents having passed away. Despite all the different backgrounds, the children has since adjusted well in the orphanage.

Care Corner is cur-

rently looking for sponsors for these eight children.



**Seven of the new children that came in May 2012.**



Ameo, 16, standing outside the girl's dorm.

### A M E E O ' S S T O R Y

Ameo Yepor, was three years old when her mother died from an unknown disease. After that her father remarried and had three other children.

Just recently in January 2012, she found out that she was HIV positive, when she went to the doctor because of her cough and the strange spots developing on her skin. Her father was tested negative along with her three half-siblings.

However, her step-mother couldn't accept her and was afraid that her children may get the virus. Ameeo was also often put to work collecting tea leaves that left her body weak and easily susceptible to illness.

Right now, Ameeo is in critical condition and is currently hospitalized. Her white blood cell count is very low,. She has a very high fever and diarrhea. Please keep Ameeo in your prayers.

### P R O J E C T U P D A T E S

Care Corner is currently working on the organic farming project that has been on going for the last six months. Along with the help of various sponsors and teams across the globe, Care Corner

is building a block for the making of organic decomposition. So far, the roof has been completed and the laying and building of walls is in the process of completion.

Care Corner has started repainting wall murals, working on the remodeling of the

boys' bathroom and the next project is to fix the falling ceiling in some of the children's rooms. We are in the process of finding donors who can support us financially. This type of renovation requires professional construction workers.



The falling ceiling in the Rainbow home for HIV/AIDS boys.



The construction of the organic farming facility.

### B I R T H D A Y S

It had been a very long year and in the process, we didn't have the time to organize a birthday party for the children. The celebration of birthdays is important to acknowledge the children's births and their importance to the community. In other words, they are loved. So in June, we did a mass birthday celebra-

tion, celebrating the children born in January to June. Each child was given a small amount of money and some were brought to the famous Walking Street in Chiang Mai to buy presents for themselves and the younger children who couldn't go. Altogether, there were 36 children birthday girls and boys.



A 10lb birth day cake was bought for the celebration. Here the children are praying for good year and a bright future.

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For over eighteen years, Care Corner Orphanage has been a place where orphaned and underprivileged Thai children have found a loving home and a place to learn about the love of Jesus. Care Corner Orphanage also believes God has called them into existence to influence all levels of Thai society with the life-changing message of Jesus Christ. The goal of the ministry is to provide spiritual development based on the Bible, basic education, primary health care and the utmost moral guidance as they grow.

### PRAYER REQUESTS

- Ameeo is very sick and is now in the hospital. Pray that she will recover and be able to return to school.
- The eight new children (See pg 2); that they be receptive to the Word of God and that they will continue to do well in their studies and their future.
- The recovery of Jenpop's father and that his life may be filled with the Holy Spirit.
- Continue to pray for the children in the orphanage and the home in Cham Thong. Though their stomachs are filled, pray that their hearts will be too.
- Many of the older children are at a crossroad with their lives. Please pray for their future.
- For financial assistance in the remodeling and renovation cost of the boy's bathrooms and the falling ceiling in some of the children's rooms. We need approximately \$5000 Singapore dollars.



Children and Staff from Care Corner Orphanage  
and the Children's Home in Cham Thong.