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# MAY NEWS

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## Answered prayers



In the last few months at CCOF, prayers had been answered, quickly and precisely.

In the previous newsletter written by our ex-volunteers, Sara and Reuben Porter, they shared about being an answer to one of our prayers for worship leaders. Although they had since left to fulfil God's calling in their lives, our worship team has seen a revival in their excitement to worship God.

In early April a group of Malaysians came for a short mission trip to CCOF. They saw the need for more workers to help in the running and maintenance of the orphanage. They prayed that God will send the right people to the home. At the end of April, a Karen tribe pastor and his wife came to apply as staff to CCOF. Their humbleness and willingness to serve others has made them an example of Christ.

**Above: Anti-clockwise:  
New, Maree, Mimi and  
Marisa swimming on a  
hot summer's day.**

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## My name is Pim. I love you.

Pim (14) came to CCOF when she was four years old. She was born with HIV (AIDS) and impaired hearing, but regardless of her physical setbacks, she was always a cheerful girl. She was eager to interact with visitors and unconscious about speaking broken Thai. However, three years ago, she's become a recluse, refusing to speak, refusing to acknowledge others and refusing to go to school. To make matters worse, she was discovered to have benign tumours in both her breast last year. As a result, she had to endure two operations to remove the tumours. She recovered very well but continue to live in her own world with occasional burst of muffled laughter.

Half a year ago, small changes were made and Pim started to change for the better; with closer supervision,

## A father to the fatherless, a defender of widows, is God in his holy dwelling.

*PSALMS 68:5*

medication for her mood swings, much prayer from visitors and from the staff. Gradually, Pim started to learn how to care for herself and care for the other little children staying with her. She started drawing and colouring again after her long hiatus., and she started communicating, first with hand motions and then slowly, with words. On top of that, she enjoys the special school that she is currently attending.

Today, Pim communicates predominantly through her broken Thai. She loves showing her affection, easily infecting people with her joy. Whenever a volunteer or visitor come into contact with her, she would draw a picture of them and herself, signing it off with, "My name is Pim. I love you."



Above: Pim and Jacinth at Mae Salong, during the Chiang Rai trip in April for staff and children.





## Mini-Vacation

This year April, we took a small group of children and staff to Chiang Rai for three nights and four days vacation. It was a time for the children and staff to bond together. Besides exploring the city, we also took time to visit other children's home in Chiang Rai.

Right: Taking a break on Mt. Mae Salong in Chiang Rai with the staff and children.

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## An April Farewell and Hello

April marks the end of the Thai school year, which is also a time when our older children may leave the orphanage to make their way in the world. This year we saw 8 children who had been with us for many years left. Some like Som, Kwang and Pipo, had returned to live with their singled parents. David and Kamsai had gone back to live with their grandmother. Others like Karn and Lamai had decided to take up work in the marketplace. Nung has been transferred to the public welfare department to receive professional attention and counselling. Please pray with us that what ever they do, they will do well, but above all, that they will keep on walking with the Lord Jesus Christ.

On the other hand, this May we have 5 new children joining CCOF and a couple who is on staff. Please keep them in prayers, As for the new children, pray that they could adapt to the new environment.



Above: Staff Kujae and her husband Pastor Jakar with our new children: Mike (7), App (5), Pear (10) Jo (9) and Red (4)

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