

IMA'S NEWS

Rescuing Children | Restoring Hope | Raising World Changers

My Dream: Christine

I want to become a surgeon someday. My first patient shall be my mother. When I was around eight years old, my mother was accidentally hit on her head by a thick piece of wood. I've been worried that she wasn't fully cured from it. When I become a surgeon, I can help my mother, and also, I can save many lives.

My ambition to become a surgeon is a big dream, but I believe that I can achieve it. I will always pray to God to help me because the Bible says in Jeremiah 29:11, "For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a better future."

I plan to study hard, and listen to the advice of Papa Jim, Mama Nancy, Mama Sheenie, and Pastor Ed. I will be faithful and continue to enjoy my happy life.



Kids Just Wanna Have Fun

To break up the monotony of online schooling, our children spend Wednesday afternoons playing outside. Our staff helps some children get into teams for Basketball and Volleyball. Other children like to sit on the grass with their chums to chat. The little ones like to run and chase each other.

Wednesdays are always an opportunity for the children to participate in controlled activities as well as a way for them to enjoy their childhood life to the fullest.

In commemoration of our country's Independence Day on June 12, 2021, the children made paper flags to show their understanding and appreciation of being a Filipino and having a beautiful and free country.





Little Entrepreneurs

During their free time, Ima's kids learn employable skills such as computer literacy in Microsoft Office, video editing, and photography. They also learn life skills such as cooking and serving food, which can also help them to be employable at a restaurant. They are currently mastering home-made pasta and baking yummy cookies. They are having a ton of fun while experiencing real chores.

Staff Update

Pastor James L. Kilgore, II has a generous heart and genuine love for his employees. He graced all of the employees of Ima's Home with a mid-year celebration, including a sumptuous dinner and employee bonuses. It was such a memorable gathering filled with thankful hearts, laughter, and inspiration for the remainder of the year.



A Safe Place for Ryel

Ryel, a precious 2 year old boy, came to Ima's Home frail and scared on a noonday not too long ago. He looked thin and underweight for his age. Ryel's shy eyes refused to meet mine as his father described their family's difficult situation. Even though I knew that Ryel would be safe and cared for at Ima's Home, my heart broke as I imagined the pain he was about to experience.

When it was time for his father to leave him, he started sobbing pitifully. I held him in my arms to try to comfort him, and to my surprise, he hugged me tight. I was so glad he found comfort in my embrace. As his cries slowly subsided, I offered him a snack, which he ate. I turned on his favorite show, "Cocomelon," and Ryel started singing along and dancing with a smile on his face. The big kids were cheering for him; their smiles and giggles washing away his sadness. Finally, he was ready to go outside to see the other kids playing. Ryel joined in the fun as the children welcomed him with love.

After several days, Ryel was entrusted into the care of his mother. We are so glad we could be a safe place that showed the love of Jesus to Ryel, even if it was for a short time. We pray God will continue to help us show His love to the hurting children of the Philippines.



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