



# K.I.M. Kids Kronicle

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## Cuatro school families and staff enjoy multi-cultural Thanksgiving celebration

For the Thanksgiving holiday, the tables were laden with rice, pancit, and adobo—conjuring up for the Filipino the same salivatory anticipation of the American turkey, stuffing, and sweet potatoes. Mothers of some of our Cuatro Community School students started cooking a day in advance, into the evening, and then starting again at 5:00 am to deliver a feast for our students, their families, and all our staff. While the long hours in the kitchen is something we all can relate to when it comes to the Thanksgiving celebration, most of us don't prepare for 300 people!

Before sharing the feast together, our students put on a multi-cultural program for their families that included singing, dancing, and sharing of the history of both Thanksgiving in America and the Philippines. A fun fact learned that day is that the Philippine Thanksgiving Day is celebrated on September 21. Prior to the event, the students decorated the program area with cards they had created in which they shared thoughts of thankfulness. Reading the children's cards was a special time for these families.



Above: These Cuatro Community School "super" moms put on a Thanksgiving feast for 300 people!

Below: The kids decorated the site with Thanksgiving cards to share with their families, and all lined up to fill their plates with a Thanksgiving Day meal.



Both teachers and students are immensely thankful that God has given them this school through the generous support of individuals like you.

—Kim Courtright, Cuatro Community Sch., Headmaster

## Reaching hearts through dance

The last week of November, the Mindanao home was blessed with a ministry team from Cornerstone Dance and Cornerstone Fellowship of Melbourne, Florida. The team spent their days giving workshops at local schools and preparing for a special evening performance.



While at Malaybalay Central Elementary School, the team had the opportunity to work with a group of deaf and special needs children. After some initial shyness, it was a pleasure to watch the kids open up and begin running, leaping, and twirling with great joy. While this scenario was repeated at all the workshops, I don't think any group showed as much delight as these kids.



The team also spent each evening working with the children's home kids. They started with stretching and basic movements, repeating them each night and leaving a plan and instructions with Pastor Larry so he could continue working with the kids after the team left. Then the team would devote time practicing with the kids for the culminating performance. All the kids had their own part to dance as well as the big finish that would include all the groups that had taken part during the week.



The night of the performance, Cornerstone Dance and many students from the community put on a performance unlike many had ever seen before. All the students from the workshops were excited to be a part, and the audience greatly appreciated each group with cheers and applause. But the most impressive part of the evening was when members of the team clearly shared the gospel message and invited ones to come forward to receive Christ as their personal Savior or to join with them for prayer. After an initial hesitation, there was a great response with many people coming to the front of the auditorium to pray with and be prayed for by the team.



KIM thanks Cornerstone Dance and Cornerstone Fellowship for sending this talented group to share their abilities and Christ's love to the children in our home and to the community of Malaybalay. We trust the seeds that have been planted will grow and bear much fruit.

—Jeremy Moody, Director of Operations, Malaybalay

### Want to help again?

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