



SUMMER GOOD NEWS



Testimony of Idriss Aboudou in the presence of Mr. Luc Charpentier, Regional Director and Mrs. Béatrice Tribotté, Deputy Regional Director - DTPJJ13.

ACAY: "Gave a New Meaning to the Work of Education"

On June 4th, professionals involved in the Justice System for minors in the Bouches du Rhône region were invited to meet for a day of reflection and debate on a forum entitled "Desistance - a Process of Getting Out of Delinquency". ACAY was invited to take part in the event as resource person/s.

The event was attended by over a 150 educators from the Ministry of Justice involved in intervening in youth homes, education centers, and penitentiary establishments or for youth in diversion. Idriss Aboudou, a youth from Marseille gave his testimony about his chaotic life and his capacity for resilience during the event. Idriss has been with ACAY for the past three years and is in the process of full reintegration into society. Laurent Thorigné, Director of ACAY Marseille, completed the testimony with a presentation of the training and support given to minors imprisoned in Marseille— the same program Idriss has been part of.

These events show us how much the impact of a testimony can be a lever of hope for many.

ACAY's testimonials garnered appreciation from the professionals in attendance who gained not just renewed appreciation but also new meaning in empowering the youths.

ACAY with AMADE Mondiale in Monaco

HRH The Princess of Hanover, Caroline of Monaco, the Board of Directors of AMADE and partners working on programs for the protection and development of the child through the world, met for two days of sharing.

The ACAY team was invited to show the film "My Life at the PEM" at the end of the plenary. The film was produced by ACAY in partnership with the Penitentiary Establishment for Minors (PEM). This 24-minute film featuring the minors imprisoned at the PEM presents the premises and services of the PEM in informing parents about the living conditions of their children. The directors of the PEM were also present, and have stressed the quality of the partnership with ACAY.

Idriss Aboudou concluded the intervention and was able to harness the power of words and to tell the story of a youth who had a chaotic past.

"I realized with experience that patience is something that kids need to be taught from the youngest age because it is the key to not have a past like mine," Idriss Aboudou said in his testimony which greatly moved the assembly.

These words led the audience to a broader understanding of the situations leading to delinquency, and the process of getting out of it. Idriss was touched by the messages of encouragement and the expressions of affection that he received afterwards.



The partners and members of the AMADE Mondiale Board of Directors gathered with H.R.H The Princess of Hanover.

SUMMER IS MORE FUN IN ACAY PHILIPPINES !

Not a moment of rest in our activities during these two months of school holidays! Well almost ... The presence of youth with us offered an opportunity to discover the Philippines but also for intensive training!

The School of Life had a two-tiered rhythm: while the new group of 8 girls lived the CrossRoad 4 Youth training and planned on their future in ACAY, the older ones were concentrating their energies on preparing for integration in the professional world. Writing their road-map, starting a mini business, visiting a company, preparing for job interviews were part of their daily schedules.

“ I understood by lining up in the various administrative offices that I needed to be ready for society. At first, it was not easy, but the more documents I obtained, the more I felt I was growing up. ”

Meanwhile for the Second Chance Program, 16 youth came to Balanga for the CrossRoad 4 Youth training. This 15-day intensive training allows the beneficiaries to go deeper within themselves.

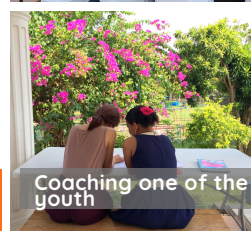
Holy Week in the mountains of the northern Philippines gave the chance for many to make great progress on the journey of forgiveness to be given or received. In a few days, the patient and painstaking work of accompaniment is completed with vitality. These internal victories were celebrated the following days in the splendid landscapes of the rice terraces where each filled their lungs with the freshness of the mountains ...



Cross-Road for Youth Formation



Farm Exposure



Coaching one of the youth



Company Exposure

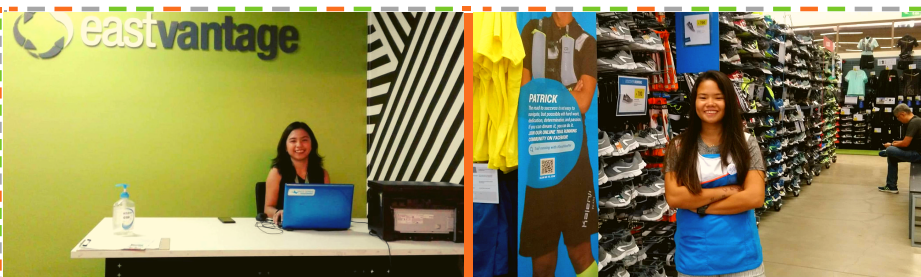


Holy Week Retreat

“ During Holy Week, I realized that if my heart was buried in anger, I was invited to uncover it. What liberated my heart was to understand that these parents who hurt me so much, are themselves still in darkness. So, for the first time, I told myself that I will have to dare to forgive and finally return to the light and to life. ”

A Year of Academic Excellence !

Thanks to their effort and the support of the sponsors, four beneficiaries of ACAY ended their school year in flying colors as one bagged the highest honor! Of the four girls, three graduated from Senior High School, and one progressed to Senior High School. Another one received a special award for exceptional performance in class.



Send-off to a Young Professional !

The path of the School of Life is punctuated with these stages of discovery and self-knowledge, pacification of past trauma and equipping the youth with the tools to acquire this capacity for perseverance and security once reintegrated into society.

Three girls made the leap: one by launching into the professional life of an Australian company and the two others finishing their studies while working part-time at Decathlon!

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