

DIVINE LOVE KIDS CLUBS

Partnering with churches and community leaders to show the love of God to children in Baguio City

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Bayan Park

Our third kids club opened February 2008. It was started and led by Angie and Rhett Gomez, in partnership with their church, New Covenant Bible Fellowship.



Rhett, with children at the Bayan Park Kids Club

Their focus is mostly on pre-schoolers, although some older children come as well. They have stopped for Summer break (March-May) but hope to start again in June. During break they plan to have Vacation Bible School.

soccer, badminton, volleyball, basketball, sack race, chess, and more. Summer may be a break from school, but it should not be break from growing physically, mentally, and spiritually.

Regular Kids Club activities will resume in June with the start of the School Year.

We must alter our lives in order to alter our hearts, for it is impossible to live one way and pray another.
-- William Law

A banner for the Divine Love Kids Club. The title "Divine Love Kids Club" is in large, colorful letters. Below it, the location "AT CITY CAMP PROPER BARANGAY HALL" is written. There are two time slots: "SATURDAYS 8 - 12 YRS OLD 1:00-2:30PM" and "4 - 7 YRS OLD 2:30-4:00PM". To the right, it lists "Songs Stories Games Snacks". In the center is a painting of Jesus with children. At the bottom, a silhouette of a city skyline is shown with a quote: "Jesus called the children to him and said, 'Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these.' (Luke 18:16)".

The Design of the Banner we use for DLKC at City Camp Proper

Summer is no Time to Relax Churchplant

The Kids Clubs stop meeting during the Summer Months (mid-March – May), but that does not mean that nothing happens. Weeklong Vacation Bible Schools are being planned in Bayan Park, and at (or near) City Camp. In Honeymoon, Vacation Bible Class is planned. How is Vacation Bible Class different. It is planned to go on all summer, rather than just for a week. It will focus on Bible skills, and spiritual development.

In late April or early May, DLKC will have a SportsFest. This will bring together the various clubs for a day of sports competitions and fun. Sports will include

Churchplanting is not one of the goals of DLKC. But if God an exciting opportunity, it would be unwise to reject it. Due to the success of Divine Love Kids Club at its original site in Honeymoon Barangay, and the number of individuals taking the long ride to Union International Church on the other side of the city, it was decided that a church fellowship should be begun on Sundays in the barangay. This plan was approved by the local government so it is able to meet on the 3rd floor of the Barangay Hall (the Kids Club meets on Saturdays in the same building on the 1st floor). The first meeting was on March 9th, 2008. Presently, it is a multisite of Union International Church. However, in time it may well become its own independent church. We are looking forward to what God will do with it. Brother Gabby Gabaldon leads the service, with Carla Baltazar

leading the singing, and Venus Baltazar (Coordinator of DLKC) in charge of the site.



Children's Sunday School at Divine Love Community Fellowship in Honeymoon

We must be global Christians with a global vision because our God is a global God.
— John Stott



God does not lead His children around hardship, but leads them straight through hardship. But He leads! And amidst the hardship, He is nearer to them than ever before.
-- Otto Dibelius

have been so faithful in volunteering their Saturdays for this ministry.

2. A prayer for wisdom on whether to expand this ministry. And if we should expand, which locations to go to first. We pray for the continuation of Honeymoon, City Camp, and Bayan Park. We hope to add at least one more location in 2008.
3. A prayer for church partners and sponsors for this ministry to continue to impact communities in Baguio City.
4. Pray for the Summer Activities. The Vacation Bible Schools, the Vacation Bible Class, and the SportsFest.
5. Pray for the successful start of a new program that is being envisioned: DIVINE LOVE YOUTH CLUB. It is hoped that this will start sometime in the July to September timeframe.
6. We hope to visit the DSWD (Department of Social Welfare and Development) and be officially recognized for our work in the local barangays. This would aid in our hope to expand into new parts of Baguio.

We are all pencils in the hand of a writing God, who is sending love letters to the world.

-- Mother Teresa

Divine Love Kids Club is a non-profit Christian Organization seeking to partner with local barangays (neighborhoods) in meeting the wholistic needs of children in Baguio City, Philippines. DLKC is headed by Celia Munson and Venus Baltazar. If you have questions about our group, please email Celia at bob2046@yahoo.com. We do not have our website set up yet, but you can read some things on the web from a couple of our partners. These are:

Union International Church:
www.unionintlchurch.blogspot.com

Dakilang Pag-Ibig DIADEM Ministries Inc.
www.dakilangpagibigministries.org

Prayer Requests

1. A prayer for teachers who will help with work. This goes hand-in-hand with a prayer of thanksgiving to the many who