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# NEWSLETTER

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## PREFACE



It is time for the organizations annual meeting, and this time we will meet at the home of Thor and Jovelyn Klaveness at Ekgatan 7B in Malmö. It is important that you sign up to come, as we shall know how many will come.



This year we will continue to work on education and information to parents about their access to care for their families and their children.

## **1. Annual meeting FTMS 2 February 2012**

You are highly welcome to the Association's annual meeting, **Thursday, 2 February.**

**Time: 6 PM**

**Place: Ekgatan 7B**

**Thor & Jovelyn Klaveness**

**NOTE! Sign-up to get to the annual meeting is mandatory** when we may need to book larger premises at larger number of participants. A Godparent is automatically a member of the Association with right to vote. Notification can be done both via phone/email or letter to the addresses specified on the last page.

### **MEMBERSHIP**

Any person who submit to the Association's purposes and activities are entitled to subscribe for membership in the Association.

Any person who signs himself as sponsor and/or donates money continuously is to be counted as a member so long commitment as sponsor/donor lasts.

### ***ON THE AGENDA:***

1. Election of meeting officers
2. Determination of the voting list
3. The meeting's competent announcement
4. The Board of Directors and project managers ' activity reports
5. Auditor's report
6. Decision on the discharge
7. Election of Board of Directors
8. Election of Auditors
9. Election of Nomination Committee
10. Treatment of cases from the Board
11. Treatment of motions
12. Other issues

### ***WHAT IS FTMS?***

**FTMS, Filipino Tribe Mission Sweden** is a Christian humanitarian organization that conducts and coordinates the missionary activity in the Republic of the Philippines.

Development work includes areas:

- Godchild work
- School education in the local tribes
- Development of local schools in cooperation with local authorities
- Children's homes, foster care, support for street children

Missionary work capacity ranges:

- Bible teaching aid for local assemblies
- The evangelism assistance to pastors
- Development work on the Bible's basic

## 2. Christmas party with Mamanwa in Adlay

Our new teacher for Mamanwa tribe in Adlay has sent us pictures from the FTMS and our batch Christmas party, which was held together with our godchildren's families Adlay. The mothers in Kids Club helped to serve while Jennifer Urquia made the menu.



Three of our godchildren in Adlay, who enjoyed the Christmas party, all of them come from different families, and class of the local society.

For them it was a new and different experience to visit the settlement of Mamanwas in Adlay to celebrate Christmas. They normally don't meet together, is not speaking same language, but Mamanwa knows the dialect of Adlay, while Adlayanon's does not know the language of Mamanwa well.

Nevertheless, children adjust quickly, why it is important that they early learn that they are not different just because of their background and culture. Children always find games to play together, and learn new things from one another. Something we adult should be better on as well; adapt us after each other's characteristics in order to maintain peace.



On the mounted picture above mothers from Kids Club are seen on the first row together with families from the Mamanwa tribe.



Jennifer is packing up the food from the menu, which she has prepared and cooked at home together with Norma, one of the godchildren's mothers and member in Kids Club.



The godchildren help their mothers to serve the food on plates...



...and share the food to all guests. The plates are shields from the banana bark, which has been cleansed. Because Cutlery is not used, they eat it with their hands after they have washed them.



Both young and old get a plate each with traditional Filipino Christmas food.



What is traditional can vary depending which part of the Philippines ones comes from, but rice is mandatory. Otherwise are not known that one have received food!

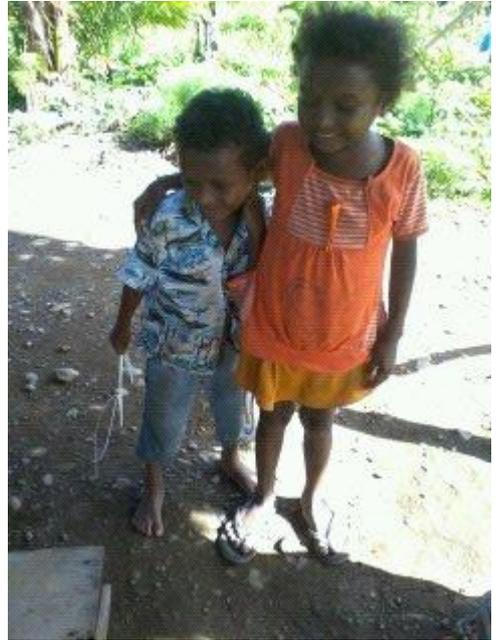
Ingredients which can be seen as traditional here in the province of Surigao is noodles with cooked chicken, and beef from water buffalo, named Karabao. To dessert macaroni-salad is served and very appreciated.

Here we show some pictures of children in need of sponsors. Maybe you are the one to be?



Some of the children go to Adlay elementary, while some don't. The reason can be both because of age and unwillingness.

Our work is to show them that it can be fun to know how to read and write. How they can be helpful to their parents filling registrations needed in the Philippines for ID, school and work.



The Christmas tree in the background was a new and nice thing for Mamanwa, and increased the party mood from an ordinary everyday life and otherwise this Wednesday was.





This is the way the Mamanwa houses look like in Adlay; they build little by little. Some have whole walls, other have, like here, a wall that can be opened and closed with the help of a tarpaulin.



The children too received their contributions from their sponsors.



Christmas gifts thanks to

Thank you for your contribution to our work

I ask our deepest and warmest thanks from me and our co-operators for your engagement. Please, talk with a friend about the possibility to be a sponsor to a child or to any of our many projects in the Philippines.

God's peace

Thor Klaveness

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## *Sponsorship fee*

The monthly fee for a godchild is €20/SEK200 or €15/SEK150 for group sponsor and can be paid as follows:

1. By autogiro
2. By payment card/bill which can be paid monthly, quarterly, half year or own choice.

When paid within Sweden, payment can be done to account shown lowest this page.

Payment outside Sweden but within Europe, pay to: NORDEA Sweden

IBAN: **SE31 9500 0099 6042 0418 2960**

SWIFT: **NDEASESS**

## *Internet pages:*

Homepage for the network:

[www.tribemission.com](http://www.tribemission.com)

Filipino Tribe Mission Sweden's homepage:

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Filipino Tribe Mission Welfare's homepage:

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Godchildren:

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### **NOTE**

This Newsletter is written to reach people not common with the Filipino culture. To tell about the way Filipino's lives and give an opportunity to help where help is needed.

We are in no way participating in any political movements, but are involved to lift the knowledge to have patience and ability to live side by side with one another. Notwithstanding if it belongs to be to Filipino's or other.

If you want to contribute with your own experiences and/or knowledge, please feel welcome. News in our newsletters is solely based on facts from Filipino's and experiences from other within the Philippines itself. We belongs to different cultures, therefore it is sometimes different viewpoints on the news.