

# LICHILEITER

The HAYAG Newsletter "for a better world"

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### Dear HAYAG members and friends,

as summer 2018 draws to a close in Germany, it is slowly becoming clear that a 'golden autumn' is approaching. Is this a consequence of climate change? Then there is typhoon Mangkhut which raged in the Philippines recently: we are delighted to hear from our colleague Herbert that all is well for Haus HAYAG, but we remember those not so lucky in our thoughts. What can we do?

Nor do we know how the controversial and hotly-debated refugee issue will continue: what is the government planning? What will happen to the people? What will happen to humanity?

Consider these two numbers? Worldwide, 748 million people do not have clean drinking water and 58 million primary school children do not attend school. These statistics alone are powerful motives for people looking to escape to a better future - many other factors such as war, environmental issues, hunger or simple poverty exacerbate to the situation.

However, during our meetings and conversations with the people of the Philippines, we hear time and again: "If we see a chance here for ourselves and our children - if we know that our children do not need to go hungry and will get a school education - then we do not want to leave our home and our culture."

#### **Education makes the difference**

With our 'Education Against Poverty' program, HAYAG directly addresses the root of the problem. Together with you, our supporters, HAYAG helps the people on the ground - so they do not have to become refugees. HAYAG enables children to have a better life and a better future in their homeland. The project gives them a sustainable opportunity to escape poverty and its pre-determined, seemingly-hopeless, future. The fact is: education alone is the key to give people hope and a real future, where they want to be, in their own country and in their own towns and cities!

#### LIGHT VISIONS and LIGHTHOUSES

**HAYAG's first teacher:** MARGIE is now a fully-qualified teacher, with her studies and practical training behind her. Since the start of this school year she has held a permanent position at the primary school in Catmon - a suburb of Cebu City.

We are incredibly proud of MARGIE and happy that we have been able to realise the dream of the HAYAG alumni!

This is HAYAG (#thisishayag)...



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A High 'Three' - more great news: QIAGEN GmbH, a biochemical company from Hilden, has awarded three scholarships to pupils from their region. The company is fully-funding three selected HAYAG youngsters (1 Residental and 2 Community Based) to complete biochemistry studies over the next four years. A massive THANK YOU on behalf of the overjoyed students and all at HAYAG!



Our goal is to find more companies as soon as possible, which – in accordance with their industry sector - can offer scholarships similar to QIAGEN GmbH, in the areas of dentistry, medicine, law, and entrepreneurship. Why? These professions are needed in the Philippines in both cities and the country and we want to create 'lighthouses' – beacons of light, exemplars - in the local society. We are not interested in even more mass courses in the business, tourism or hotel industries where graduates are promised a supposedly-better life in distant foreign countries. We have named the project 'Mission Lighthouse'...Can you help? Do you know someone or a company or organization that might wish to participate? Please contact Bernhard Heck – our 'lighthouse keeper' at HAYAG at bernhard@hayag-project.com or call his mobile on +49 (0)151-226-686-92.

# THE GIFT OF GIVING

NEW! Whether for birthdays, Christmas or as a small souvenir – may we suggest a very special gift idea – A Gift of Giving HAYAG gift card - worth 15 euros (one-time donation). You and the person who receives the gift can be sure that a poor street child will be properly fed for the next 12 Sundays, plus they will receive basic medical care and the provision of necessary hygiene services for this period.

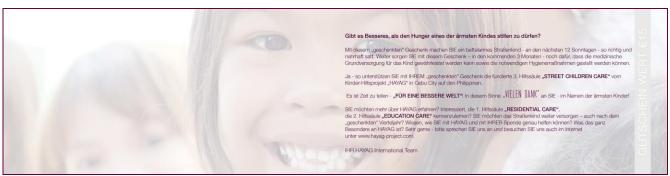
This is a very special way of supporting the third pillar of HAYAG's 'STREET CHILDREN CARE' project. Interested? Would you like to purchase gift cards? Please contact our treasurer Maren Frehsdorf by e-mail at <a href="maren@hayag-project.com">maren@hayag-project.com</a> or mobile on +49 (0)172-279-9199. We look forward to your order and will send you the gift vouchers after receipt of payment to the usual HAYAG donation account (VR Bank Amberg eG, IBAN: DE49752900000000193399, BIC: GENODEF1AMV - with the subject / purpose: 'gift card').

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Cards will be delivered after the second week in October - as they are currently still being printed. Time to share 'for a better world'...

## This is an example of a gift card:





"Do something good – big or small - every day." (proverb)

We THANK YOU for YOUR great support!

Sincerely, on behalf of the HAYAG International Germany Team and the children who are the future of the Philippines,

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