



CLM IMPACT

a Canossian Lay Missionaries newsletter



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For a Son has been born to us, a Son has been given to us, and dominion has been laid on his shoulders



**Wonder Counsellor
MIGHTY GOD
Eternal Father
Prince of Peace**
Isaiah 9:6

2016 HIGHLIGHTS

- Canossian Convent Kindergarten open-house at Jalan Merbok
- Year of Mercy visit to Church of St Philip in Segamat, Johore as well as charity lunch and gifts for needy families
- Canossian Mission Building fund raising activities
- Packing of relief boxes for our beneficiaries of our sister homes in the Philippines
- Assisted Project Micah with fund raising
- Year-end Retreat

Dear Friends

We are grateful for the blessings the Lord has continued to shower on us in 2016. We thank Him specially for

- * blessing us with new members and family members who have joined us,
- * all our dear friends, volunteers and donors who continually contribute generously in varied ways,
- * using our little group to bring his goodness, compassion and providence to His beloved poor,
- * being able to make an Advent retreat this year and enabling us to bond and pray together.

We want to share with you some of the highlights and pictures from our mission in making Jesus known and loved.

We the Canossian Lay Missionaries and our Spiritual Directress Sr. Dorothy Lim wish each of you, your families and loved ones a Blessed and Holy Christmas and a very Happy New Year!

It is to encounter Jesus. God always sought out his people, led them, looked after them and promised to be close to them.

The book of Deuteronomy says that God walks with us; he takes us by the hand like a father does with his child.

This is a beautiful thing. Christmas is God's meeting with his people"

Pope Francis

**'Humility
In
Charity'**

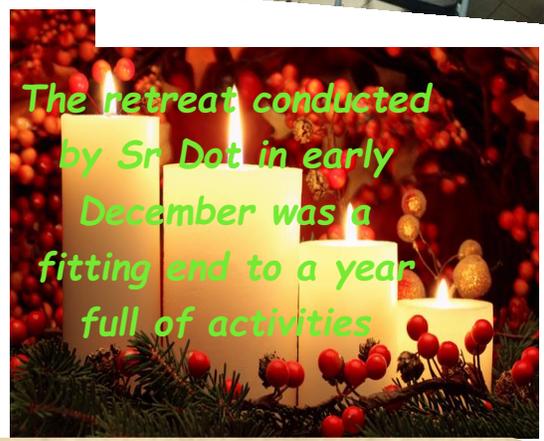


May your **Home** be warm,
your **Holidays** grand,
& may your **Heart** be held gently in the Lord's hands.

**Cheers
to a happy new year!**

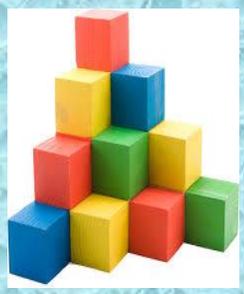
Year-end retreat!

LOVE Hope
Peace Joy



The retreat conducted by Sr Dot in early December was a fitting end to a year full of activities

In NOVEMBER we worked jointly with Project Micah at Church of St Vincent de Paul to assist the Myanmar mission



It was also timely in NOVEMBER to pack and ship to our main beneficiaries in the Philippines, in time for the Christmas season



Thanks to our generous donors we had plenty to sort from.....



and a ready army of helping hands, including our youngest volunteer, Dean!



Some vigilent checking.....



the finished boxes ready for shipment....



Our happy recipients!



Our discards....their treasure....



Jesus
The True Gift of Christmas



JULY was a busy month! Again through the kind auspices of the Church of the St Vincent de Paul, we held a jumble sale cum breakfast to help the Canossian mission in Myanmar

activity in the kitchen



Love for the poor is incompatible with immoderate love of riches or their selfish use. (Catechism of the Catholic Church:



and at ground level

JUNE was an exciting time. As it is the Year of Mercy, we made our way to Church of St Philip in Segamat

Happy gathering of Parish Priest and Singapore visitors with local volunteers



Entering through the Door of Mercy



enroute we stopped for some major shopping for the less fortunate



and then invited them to a hearty lunch



with some essentials to take away...

and she gave birth to a son, her first-born. She wrapped him in swaddling clothes and laid him in a manger because there was no room for them in the living-space.

(Luke 2:7)



In APRIL we were there for the Canossian Convent Kindergarten Open House



and ran into a charming politician...



Job well done ladies and gentleman



Who are we?

The Canossian Lay Missionaries Group is an organization of volunteers from different walks of life who share the Canossian ideal of making Christ known and loved through:

- Sharing the Good News with believers and unbelievers
- Prayer for personal spiritual growth and for the success of the missions at home and abroad;
- Service in reaching out to the less fortunate and the under privileged;
- Certain projects aimed at doing good to others out of love and compassion as God would want of his followers.

We have a container parked on the premises of the Canossian Formation House at No. 4 Lorong Low Koon, Singapore 536450. We accept all manner of clothing, bags, shoes and soft toys which will then be sent to our beneficiaries in the Philippines.

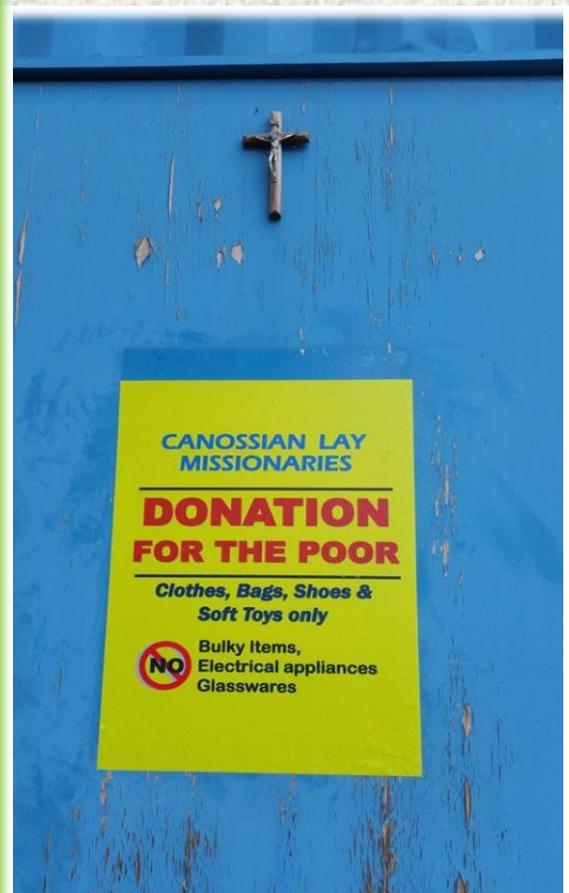


HOPE
PEACE
JOY
LOVE

Our volunteers come from a very wide spectrum and range in age from seniors to one who is just 12 years old! So there is a place for anyone who wishes to assist us. We look forward to meet you. If you are interested, do contact our President, Mr Thomas Khoo at email: tom.khoo@gmail.com Any assistance will be greatly appreciated!

Acts 20:35

I have shown you in every way, by laboring like this, that you must support the weak. And remember the words of the Lord Jesus, that He said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'



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DONATION FOR THE POOR
Clothes, Bags, Shoes & Soft Toys only
NO Bulky Items, Electrical appliances, Glasswares