



Grateful for God's Goodness

Harvest House 2017 Year in Review

Welcome to Harvest House: *Helping Guam's Foster Community*

We want to thank you for your interest in caring for the modern day orphan: the foster child on Guam. 2017 has been a special year filled with exciting things going on with our mission. Celebrate with us this Christmas season with what we've accomplished with your generous donations.

We are OPEN! On Monday through Friday, from 8 am-3 pm, we open our doors to serve foster children in need and accept community donations that will help foster children. A big part of why we exist is to meet the physical needs of our foster children. While providing daily essentials, we have the privilege to personally encourage them spiritually as well.

Harvest House Resource Center is also used for:

- Monthly Support Group Meetings
- Parenting Classes
- CPS Meetings
- Recruiting Foster Family Classes
- Babysitting Foster Children



"Pure and genuine religion in the sight of God the Father means caring for orphans and widows in their distress and refusing to let the world corrupt you." James 1:27

Valentines Day: February

Harvest House uses this holiday to display love to our social workers at CPS. Donuts and coffee are provided by Harvest House, while our foster children surprise the social workers with Valentine cards thanking them for being their voice. CPS and Harvest House work closely together to improve the system and care for our island's foster children.



Spring Photo Event: April

We had a great time at our 6th Annual Spring Photo Event! Eleven families and two shelters joined volunteers for a chance to capture some memories. Several photographers donated their time and talent to take photos of foster children with their families. Each family left with a printed 5x7 photograph and received a free photo book with all their pictures! Our friends at Trix7One joined us and provided hot dogs for all the families and volunteers. They also graciously donated \$3,000 to

support Harvest House and our children. Foster families also had the chance to shop in our new Resource Center. It was a wonderful way to serve Guam's foster community and show Jesus' love to the fatherless.

Back 2 School Event: July

Our purpose was to show the love of Christ by giving all foster children a brand new school supply kit free of charge so they could be prepared for a year of academic success.

We had 280 backpacks donated from our island's community members, organizations, businesses, and church members for our event. We gave out 236 backpacks to foster families, two shelters, CPS social workers delivering backpacks to foster kids, relative placements, Oasis clients, and a few very needy families. We had 105 school age foster children attend the event plus all their family members: approximately 300 people coming through our doors. We had a great group of volunteers serving the foster children backpacks, supplies, essentials, clothes, shoes, and a gym full of activities.



Orphan Sunday: November

Orphan Sunday is an annual event dedicated to advocating for the orphans on island as well as to engaging the church to consider orphans globally.

In the year of 2016, 1,389 children on Guam were reported to CPS because of neglect, abandonment, or abuse. 250 children are in CPS custody today because they are a victim of this abuse. This island is in need of stable homes to answer the call to care for the 250 displaced children.



with Christmas lights for their Festival of Lights event, which was held the same night. This gave the foster children a night to remember. The lights definitely added a fun Christmas cheer within their hearts.

Christmas Event: December

Harvest House Christmas Celebration is an event we use to give the gift of Jesus who brings true JOY to a foster child's hurt world.

This Christmas Celebration, over 80 foster children came together to experience a night full of fun activities such as decorating gingerbread houses, jumping on the bounce houses, eating a delicious catered dinner by the Rotary Club of Guam, shopping for toys and pjs, face painting, and playing carnival games. Harvest Baptist Church' campus was all lit up

Statistical Data of Harvest House's Involvement in the Foster Community

Number of Children in Foster Care	250
Number of Foster Homes	39
Number of Relative Placements	25
Monthly Service at Harvest House	20 families, 2 shelters
Foster Parents Support Group Meetings	12 meetings with app. 10 foster moms/mo.
Foster Parent Informational Sessions	6 sessions app. 20 applications given out
New Foster Parents	21
Foster Parents at Harvest	13
Adoptions	3, with 1 pending

Special Thank You's

DFS Galleria L.P., Chinese Chamber of Commerce, The Bank of Guam, Trix7One, Dr.Bourgeios, Rotary Club, Red Cross Club, Soroptomist Club, FRG, NMCRS, Girl Scouts (AFB), Payless, MZ Properties, Colton Jones: Boy Scout, Faith Bookstore, Joshua and Bethany Taylor, Jeremy and Rebekah Raab, Sabrina Senecal, Harvest Baptist Church, Harvest House Volunteers

On behalf of the Harvest House families, thank you for your contribution of time, energy, and/or resources toward this non-profit organization. Please refer to our pledge card, [Facebook](#), or our [website](#).