Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is Love.

1 John 4:8
Dear teachers and friends,

The 3rd edition of Campus Ministries Team magazine is coming here for you. We appreciate the feedback from the past two publications from you. Some students told us that they enjoyed the interview room column, because they felt that they could interact with the interviewee through the dialogue by the guest and the interviewer. Also, they learned more about what the interviewee attempted to improve and how she achieved her goal.

Moreover, how did the cookie event and the spiritual emphasize week (SEW) go? CMT received some feedback of both events (you can find them in the magazine). The feedback represented the fulfillment of spreading joy among friends and the self-experience of disseminating love among neighborhoods. Friends enjoy the opportunity to build up a genuine friendship, while neighbors feel loved through benefiting or helping each other. Have you enjoyed these two kinds of emotion in the past month? If you have, perhaps you are an emotional person. If not, try to think back on the past few months and what you did to help the people.

Furthermore, some people let us know that they looked forward to receiving the coming edition to know what the exciting events would be held by CMT in the coming month. They could build up better relationships with the school members through participating in events. Anyway, we are happy for your encouragement and feedback. CMT will always try the best to satisfy you. We also welcome you to visit our interview room if you have some interesting and touching story to share with our readers. Feel free anytime to contact us by the following ways.

Judy Lin
Editor-in-Chief

Hi TPCA,

I am Johnson, yeaaa! So if you are reading, you may know me already, but if you don’t, I am the one that is “physically big” and always appears in school here and there.

Let me do a brief introduction of myself. I am a senior this year, CLASS OF 2014! I haven’t spent all my high school year in this school. Actually, I came in during my second semester of tenth grade, my sophomore year. I was also a local student like a lot of you guys. Chinese was the language I spoke for a long time. I didn’t really like the Taiwanese education system, so I came here, and because of coming here, I found a lot of things.

Like a lot of you guys, I found a lot of good friends here! Friends spend time with in different classes, friends spend time with after school because of basketball, or because of just hanging out. Friends that fight together to get in a good university are teh great harvests in this school!!!

I also found what I like about school. Yes, I like going to school actually! TPCA is not only a school for academic purpose, but also going on mission trips.

After entering TAPA a few years ago, I immediately signed up for the Philippines Mission Trip. Barely knowing anyone in school, we went on this mission trip
together. It was my first time spending such a long time with a group of school people, it was my first time to be in Philippines, and it was my first mission trip abroad. As we arrived, I immediately felt the difference between Taipei and Philippines; there was so much that we had to get use to. Despite all the differences, I felt that my purpose of going on a mission trip has not changed--to serve others.

An idea appeared in my mind, later, when going on a mission trip. I have got tons of things that the people we visited do not have, and maybe will never have. This is a fact, but also a reminder as well, because we have all these things in our life, shouldn’t we appreciate what we have all the time?

A bible verse I really like:

“Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails.”

1 Corinthians 13:4-8

Love, every day!

Peace out y’all!

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In a pleasant afternoon with a cheerful weather, we were on our way to spend time together and got ready to make COOKIES!! As we arrived at the church, the host welcomed us hospitably and led us to a room that next to a big kitchen. In the beginning, we planned to give out the cookies we made to people who exercised at Da An Park. This idea made us really excited. As a result, we divided into two groups and started to make cookies. Everyone took turn to do something for their groups and all of them were enjoyed in doing each process. However, the rain spoiled out plan, we were not able to go to the park and to spread our love to the people at Da An Park. Still, I had a great time having fun with my friends and made us cherished each other’s existence through this great activity.
Roy Cheng

Before adventuring into the streets of Taipei to collect receipts, the organizers of the foundation who helped people in a permanent vegetative state (PVS) illustrated us a contrasting picture between “normal” families and those that aren’t. “I wish I can go to Disney Land” or “I wish I can eat all the candy in the world” are what normal 10 year old girls would probably say when asked what they would wish for. However, this was not the case for a child we saw whose mother was in a PVS. Looking into the camera with her delicate and tearful eyes, she made two wishes, “I wish that my mom would get better” and “I wish that our family can live healthfully together”. That scene itself greatly impacted me. Seeing such a young child just praying to be able to talk to her mother again really influenced me to rethink what I treasure the most. I learned that although what I can do to help those less fortunate is greatly limited, I should always be there when they need my help.

WHAT WILL HAPPEN THE NEXT YEAR

BE PREPARED

GOD IS LOVE
- 1 John 4:16 ESV -