

<Making Quilts of Love Project>

In late 2022, as the pandemic began to subside, a project called <Making Quilts of Love> was planned to unify within the community. In this project, members of each teams (9 small teams) gathered together to piece together sections of fabric, with the goal of creating four small quilt blankets (50x50) by combining nine fabric pieces. Initially hesitant due to being unfamiliar with the task, the members came together to sew the fabric pieces, promoting friendship and unity. As a result, we were able to create a total of 11 quilt blankets. Some of these blankets were sent to a 꽃동네 in Haiti, while others were intended for use in missionary work in Peru.

사랑과 나눔-사카고 KCLC 2023 신년 모임
-사랑의 이불 만들기 프로젝트-

<프로젝트 목표>

- 아이들 용 이불(50*50) 4-5개를 만들어 장차란 비버만니체가 봉사하고 있는 New Jersey 꽃동네를 통해 아이티 꽃동네로 전달한다.
- 예) 이불 4개 = 36개 조각보가 필요함 (+4명 최종 완성할 바느질 봉사자 필요함)
- 이불 5개 = 45개 조각보가 필요함 (+5명 바느질 봉사자 필요함)

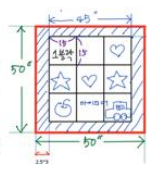
<사랑의 이불 만들기>

- 완성할 이불 크기 = 50*50"
- 이불 1개당 9개의 조각보가 필요함
- 조각보 1개의 크기 = 15*30"

<회원들>

- 각 회원은 15x15 크기의 조각보 1개를 만든다.
- 공동체원들의 조각보를 잇는다.(0.25"시접)
- 공동체를 대표하는 모양을 넣으면 더 좋다.
- 되도록이면 깨끗한 환경을 제공한다.
- 만드는 과정을 사진으로(공개 모래시 혹은 개인) 찍어서 아이 불면 조각보들과 함께 2023년 신년회 때 공동체의 이름으로 나눈다.
- 공동체에서 만든 조각보를 완성 봉사자(는 홍보코디)에게 전달한다.

<조각보를 이어 이불을 완성할 봉사자가 필요합니다.>
계통번호를 사용할 수 있거나 완성해 도움을 줄 수 있는 분은 홍보코디(334-750-7858)에게 연락주세요.




Inspired by the members' aspirations, a gathering was formed under the name <Ba.Ddu.Ja>(meaning "Sewing and Knitting Sisters") to channel their desires. As our first project, we began knitting newborn baby hats. Not long after starting, during the first regular meeting, the members proudly displayed 70 adorable baby hats they had created. These hats were promptly sent to the local hospital and distributed to babies in need within deserving households.



With the members' passion and love, a total of 166 hats were showcased, and some of them were delivered to the hospital.



April 2023

Deciding to establish <Ba.Ddu.Ja> as one of the apostolic missions within the Chicago KCLC, we decided to expand its scope and assist women in need within the local community. We visited Heather's House, a local women's shelter, and delivered 145 hats made by the members. Additionally, we committed to creating and providing essential supplies for expectant mothers and babies in need at the shelter. Furthermore, we planned to help beautify the gardens at Heather's House, contributing to the overall well-being of the facility.

May 2023

The members and their families participated in gardening activities at Heather's House.



We delivered the handmade blankets, baby clothes, dolls, toys for baby and items for expectant mothers.



Future Plan

<Ba.Ddu.Ja> is using the donations provided by its members as the production cost for the items. To raise funds, we are planning a Yard Sale in September, and a portion of

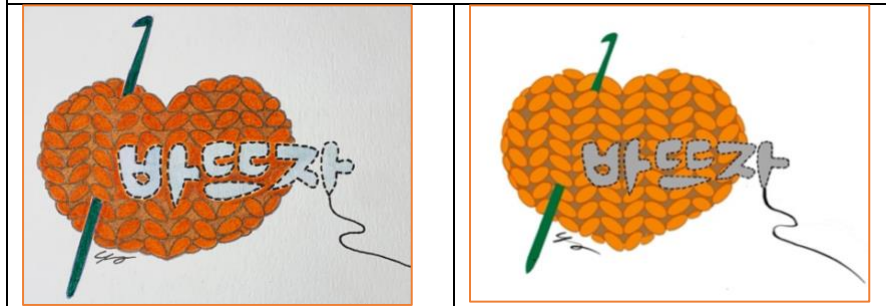
the funds raised will also be allocated for supporting a medical missionary team heading to Peru. Additionally, the project planning team is devising projects in which members can participate, creating various items to donate to areas in need within the local community and using the proceeds to raise funds.

❧ June 2023 ❧

We plan to use the logo drawn by one of our KCLC member for future products produced by <Ba.Ddu.Ja>



Members are holding kitchen towels with the logo <Ba.Ddu.Ja>



[Original Logo]

[Digitized Logo]

❧ From the Experience ❧

1. What did members appreciate about this experience?

We all realized that neighbors in real need (single mothers, new lives to be blessed, centers serving them) were so close. It was our KCLC CHICAGO's first apostolic step outside the church community to give practical help. We felt that we had to find a way to provide practical through continued close communication. Afterwards, we are planning to raise funds through Garage Sale for the medical missionary team to Peru.

2. Has volunteering changed their perspective in terms of serving the poor?

We felt like they are our family and our sisters.

3. Did members feel their leadership skills changed because of participating in this experience?

We hope to improve our CLC leadership skills through volunteer work in the future.

4. Did Pope Francis' writings influence this group?

It was helpful to read <Laudato si>and <FRATELLI TUTTI> at the our small group meeting. These books contain Pope Francis' thoughts on serving the poor and protecting the environment.

Members have learned a lot from this experience and look forward to continuing to contribute to the community through volunteer work.



The planning team of <Ba.Ddu.Ja> visited Heather House.



Gift box for a newborn baby