

FELIX FAMILY VILLAGES INTERNATIONAL



THAILAND

It is a great privilege to write to you again. You are important to us in the Ministry of the Felix Family Village. Through your help and support the work goes on, and more children will be saved into a new life. Getting a family with a mother, father and siblings is important. In an environment of love and security, children can now grow up and develop into what they are meant to become.



Here are a mom and dad who bring love, security, give good advice and are always close.

In March we had our annual board meeting in The Felix Family Village with representatives from Thailand and Sweden. Fine reports were presented, but beyond all the good news we rejoiced with our house parents as they shared with pride and joy about their children and families. We remember when the first children came to us, many of them young teenagers today. Now they are safe, happy, and make plans for their futures.

We also had the blessing to inaugurate our Multi-Purpose Building during those days. It was a great joy and many visitors were present. Later in the evening our Felix families put together a nice program where both parents and children were involved with singing and Thai dancing. What a fine day and evening we had together! Thanks to all individuals, sponsors and churches who made contributions to this building. Here we plan to provide training for future house parents in Thailand and also in the

countries that are around Thailand. There are millions of abandoned children in Asia, and we have seen the importance of giving children a family. For this task we are continuing to work along with you!

Lisa Egerbo-Hornberg - Project leader

ROMANIA

Our children's wings have grown enough to help them fly. Most of them are now already taking their first lessons in flying. We, as parents, continue to stay close to the nest to be able to help those who cannot yet stand against the strong winds outside the nest.



Levi was 3 when he came to our family. We remember him and his twin brother, Iosif, so dearly. Their natural mother saw them as too big of a burden for her and decided to abandon them on the steps of a hospital when they were only a few months old. But God, in his goodness, cared for them and they were later brought to us. They were so cute...equipped with frail, little wings and big beautiful eyes which seemed to shoot through time in the unknown future...

Time passed and Levi turned from a little kid with frail wings into a daring, good looking young man with strong wings. He

never feared heights, he was fascinated by them. His strong wings were beautifully coloured with hopes, dreams and fearless plans. What a sight it was to see his wings spread open wide, ready to conquer the most daring heights.

Today, his flight is interrupted ...for a while. His wings were shattered by an unmerciful illness at the moment when he looked confident enough to take off. His dreams, his plans that were already in sight at the horizon are now far and undecipherable. It's heartbreaking to see how a flight that promised to be smooth turns into a daily torture, a strong fear of collapse.

Now Levi needs a new set of wings, he needs strength and boldness to take off again, to continue his flight. A flight - which we believe - will last not only a few earthly "moments" but will reach its goal in eternity. We hope that God will give him new wings and will heal his suffering body. It is not easy to move forward seeing that the world you created for yourself collapses and realising that you can do nothing, no matter how hard you may try. But it is a big blessing to find smiles where, from a human perspective, one could find only tears.

Our faith, anchored in the power of God, taught Levi and us to smile even when we are crying on the inside and continue to walkthrough faith.

Radiana Tiplea – mother in House # 6, Caminul Felix Village 1



AFRICA

Lunch money keeps feeding hungry and vulnerable school children in the country side of Kenya. Often the food supplied by Lunch Money is the only meal these children have. Seasonal drought and changes to the weather pattern affect not only the cash crops like tea and coffee, an important source of income, but also cattle farmers. Many of them have seen their cattle decimated over the last 5 years.



The program has expanded its reach to include schools in the Maasai Mara region close to Tanzania, Taita Taveta, close to the coast. Despite the many resources in Kenya, in many parts of the country there are big groups of vulnerable children.

FFVI is still pursuing several new partners in Kenya, looking for land in the right place, and building the right team on the ground. With the many activities around the country the team is taking the time necessary to get the right partners and structures in place.

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