



Some happy IPP Children



International Proxy Parents



Kingston, Jamaica

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Who Are We?

The International Proxy Parents (IPP) is a non-profit charitable organization, registered in Kingston, Jamaica. Our primary purpose is to help the less privileged children in Jamaica. We do this by raising funds, and organizing various activities in order to enrich the lives of these children.

We are a very diverse group. Our membership is composed of Jamaicans, expatriates, and persons from the diplomatic missions. This diversity ensures the combination between the stability and knowledge of those who have spent their lives here, and the enthusiasm and new ideas which result from a constant change in a portion of our membership. Anybody who shares the love for humanity is welcome to join us.

All our members are volunteers.

IPP was founded in 1980 by a group of women who took on the challenge of helping the less privileged children of Jamaica. Fifteen years later, in 1995, we were registered as a company, and in early 1996 gained charitable status. Any donation to IPP can be claimed as a charitable donation.

How Do We Operate?

IPP has a 12 person non-remunerated Board of Directors. Each director has a specific function. Reporting to the Board are three standing committees: Education, Community Projects and Hospitality. Special committees are formed in order to organize special fund-raising activities. The Board and each standing committee meet monthly. The general membership also meets monthly. At these meetings the Board and the committees report to the general membership. At the end of the meeting we have a social gathering, and sometimes invite a guest speaker from the community, who gives us insights on various topics.



Santa Claus at the Beach



Visiting Glenhope Nursery



The Chinese Booth at the Bazaar

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The Committees

Education Committee: This committee administers sponsorship of high school students, who are accepted on the recommendation of school officials and according to criteria set by the committee. The sponsorship includes payment of school fees, examination fees and auxiliary fees. The academic performance of these students is regularly monitored .

Once a year the Education Committee holds a Students Social Event, usually hosted by one of the diplomatic missions in Kingston. On this occasion we get an opportunity to meet the students and interact with them.



The Students’ Social at the Nigerian High Commission, March 2011

Community Projects Committee: This committee gives financial assistance to some children’s homes and basic schools. Our assistance includes needed appliances and necessary repairs, clothing, toys, support of extra-curricular activities, as well as outings with the children. Some members pay regular visits to the homes and interact with the children.

The Christmas Treat: Every December we take about a hundred children from the homes to a



Happy Faces at the Christmas Treat

fun day at the beach, with games, dances, food and drinks, and of course, Santa Claus and presents.

The Theatre Evening: In January, 100 children are treated to a theatre evening, usually a production of the Jamaica Junior Theatre.

Swimming and Horse Back Riding: The children at Best-Care Lodge, a home for physically challenged children, are given assistance to attend horse back riding and swimming classes, to improve their well-being and physical development.



Joy McHugh sharing her birthday with the children at Glenhope Nursery

The Monthly Birthday Parties: Each month we celebrate with the children of Glenhope Nursery the birthdays of those born that month, with members celebrating their own birthday hosting the party.

Fund-raising activities

The Annual International Bazaar, held every year in November at the Wyndham Hotel poolside, is one of our most important fundraisers. It is a wonderful collaboration between IPP and various diplomatic missions. Many of them cooperate with us by holding a booth and selling their country’s art, crafts, food and drinks. Entertainment includes cultural dances, musical shows, fashion shows and more. The Children’s Corner provides fun activities for the kids. We are extremely grateful to all participating diplomatic missions, and to the many local businesses in Kingston, whose warm-hearted support, by sponsoring our activities and our advertising, and donating prizes, makes this event a success. We are looking forward to their continuous support in the future.



Bazaar booths at the Wyndham Hotel Poolside

Games Morning, held around Valentines Day in February, is a fun morning for game lovers.

The Spring Fundraiser usually takes place in May - Child Month in Jamaica. A Spring Ball has been held at the Hilton hotel for a few years, and we are planning many other exciting events in the future.

Members’ Fundraisers are initiatives taken by individual members, who organize their own smaller fundraisers; a concert, a party, a wine and cheese night, or any other creative idea.



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