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cho người khác. Cảm ơn.*



The pandemic has affected many activities worldwide. While delaying trips to our project sites in Vietnam, FOU continues to operate our projects remotely by coordinating help with friends and religious leaders in Vietnam.

EDUCATION

- Scholarship program.

Supporting the underprivileged through education is the FOU's main focus. Our scholarship program has gradually shifted toward higher education while supporting the younger K-12 students. The pandemic has affected many students worldwide including the minority students in Vietnam. The number of students qualified for financial support for this academic year is 564 students (518 in K-12 and 49 in vocational /college levels) which is less than the number of 633 students before Covid. The diverse minority students are from 7 different locations in Vietnam (Bu Dang, Cam Ranh, Di Linh, Kontum, Pleiku, Saigon, and Binh Phuoc).

Six FOU-supported college students graduated last year. In a letter to FOU, Miss Hang thanked sponsors and proudly showed her Diploma in Pedagogy (Fig. 1). She currently enjoys teaching minority students in Pleiku and wishes to teach at a school at her tribal village -- if there is one in near future.

- Facility support.

FOU established 7 libraries and added 2 more last year. The 1st library LyThanhPhuong, established in 2018 in Cam Ranh, recently received 3 new upgraded PCs (Fig. 2). Both the 2 new libraries—the 2nd LyThanhPhuong library in Kontum, and DinhVu in Pleiku— received total of 16 new PCs, furniture, funding for books and infrastructure building (Figs. 3-4). Additional medicines were donated to care for the children at these dormitories where the two new libraries are located (Fig. 5).

Three FOU supporters (Thuyen, Phuoc, and Hanh), who sponsored the DinhVu library, visited the place and attended the fun-filled year-end function with the children in ThienAn dormitory in Pleiku. They distributed awards to honor students, shared a dinner, toured the facility, interacted with the children, and enjoyed the musical program performed by the children (Figs. 6-7).

OUTLOOKS

With the diminishing of Covid, FOU members and supporters have planned to visit different sites.

- Education. FOU will continue providing scholarships to underprivileged students while motivating them for higher education. We will visit different sites in July-August 2023 to assess and suggest ways to improve the facilities for health and education enhancement.
- Outreaching. Supporters can visit different sites and their sponsored students. FOU can help to coordinate and suggest safe travel plan.

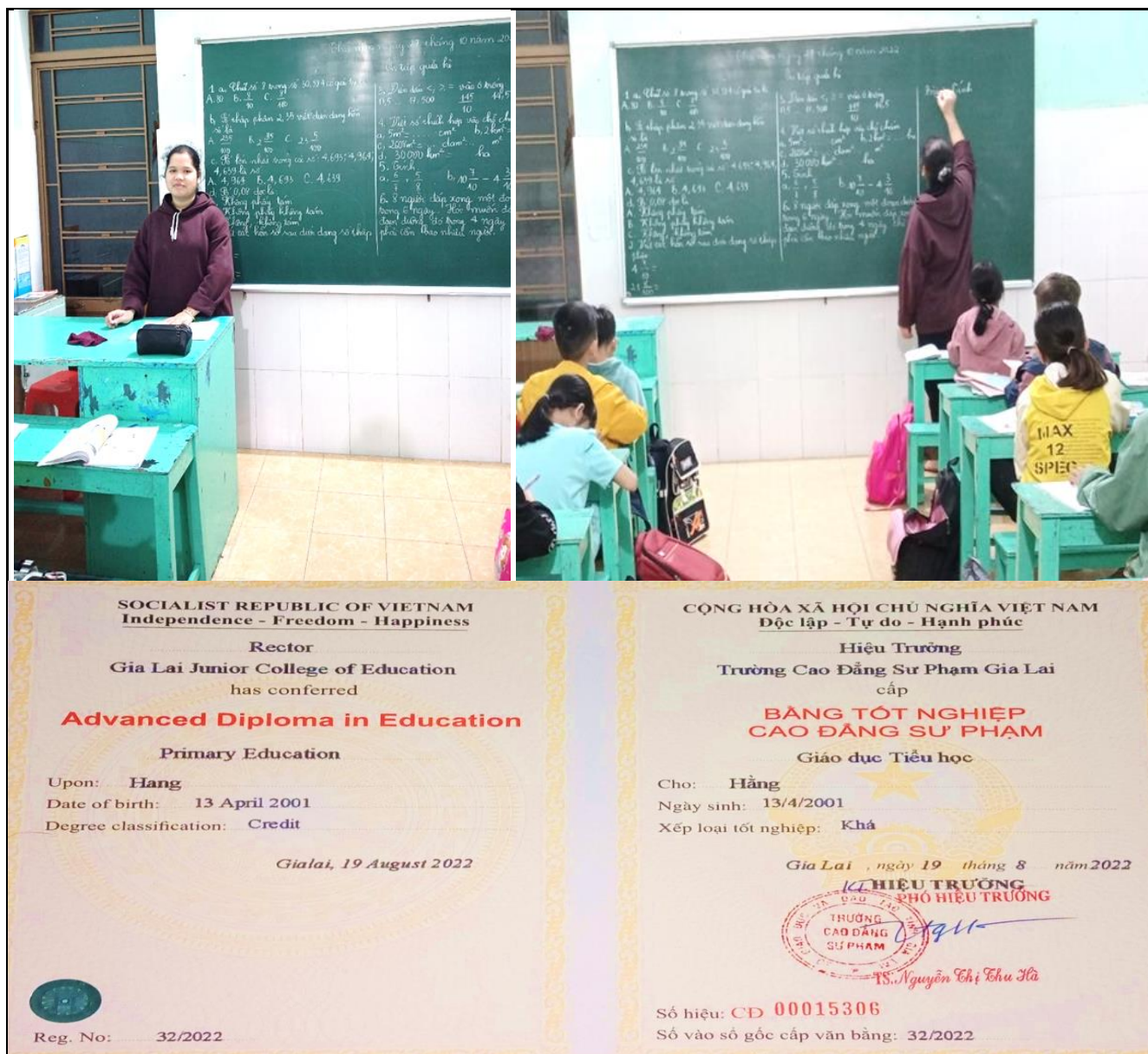


Fig. 1: Miss Hang, graduated from college of pedagogy education, enjoys teaching a class for minority students in Gia Lai



Fig. 2: The 1st Ly Thanh Phuong library with upgraded PCs. Cam Ranh



Fig. 3: The 2nd Ly Thanh Phuong library. Kontum



Fig. 4: The new library Dinh Vu. Pleiku.



Fig. 5: Medicine for Thien An and Teresa dormitories. Pleiku and Kontum



Fig. 6: Thuyen, Phuoc, and Hanh with the honor students and choir members at Thien An. Pleiku.



Fig. 7: Thuyen interacts with children at Thien An. Pleiku



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