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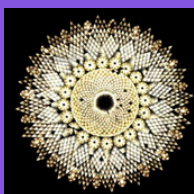
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Para Sa 'Yo To Anak (This is for You, My Child)

by Lissa Moran

This is a common sentiment we hear from our KLIKme learners—many of whom are *nanays* and *tatays* (mothers and fathers) beyond the age range of 15 to 25 year-old high school dropouts we first targeted to serve. They see KLIKme as a beacon of hope, a concrete way to break free from the cycle of poverty they find themselves trapped in. If not for them, then for the next generation the future *can* be brighter!

Much like Jhono Baudin, the *tatay*-learner from KLIKme Sulu featured in our June newsletter, these two *nanays* from KLIKme Paradise Heights/Permanent Housing (PH, previously Smokey Mountain) in Balut, Tondo, Manila signed up for KLIKme with their children in mind. That's why this photo of Nickalyn Manabat doing a Digital Literacy exercise with her toddler on her lap truly tugged at our hearts!

Computer and other work readiness skills, as well as advanced training courses in employable fields are the keys that KLIKme is extending to open doors that our learners have long believed are closed to them. So now, *nanay*-learners like Nickalyn Manabat and fellow-PH resident, Jenalyn Baliton, are seeing a way forward for themselves and their children.



Nickalyn is 27 years old and already a mother of three, aged 8 years, 2 years, and 3 months. She reports that she finished high school but has no work, as she is a full-time homemaker, relying on her partner's earnings as a garbage collector. She learned about KLIKme through a friend, and joined to be able to gain new knowledge.

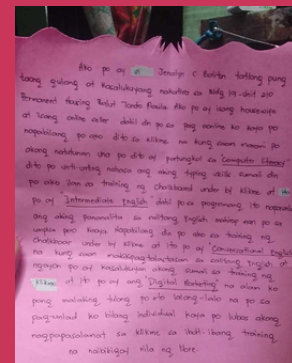
Pangarap sa buhay: Maging maayos ang buhay at mapalaki nang maayos ang aking mga anak. (Life goal: To have an orderly life and raise my children well.)



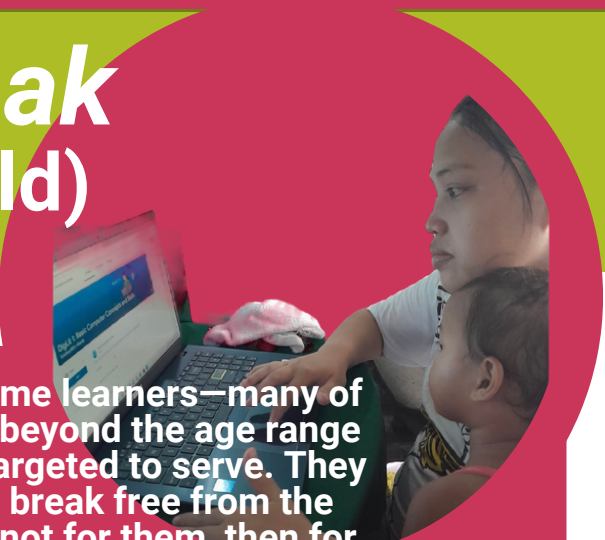
Fellow KLIKme mother, Jenalyn Baliton, is 30 years old and raising a family with her partner, Joel Dadap, an aluminum installer. They have two daughters, 11 year-old Franchesca who is in Grade 7, and 9 year-old Eunice who is in Grade 4. Jenalyn is a high school graduate, currently earning through online selling.

Pangarap sa buhay: Mapagtapos po ang aking dalawang anak, at magamit ko po ang aking mga natutunan sa training na binahagi ng KLIKme. (Life goal: To have my two children complete their schooling, and for me to use what I am learning in the training offered by KLIKme.)

As Jenalyn shared (translated from Filipino), "I am learning a lot, particularly in Computer Literacy, where my typing skills are gradually improving. I also signed up for other training courses of Chalkboard, offered through KLIKme, like Intermediate English where I managed to practice speaking in English, even if it was difficult at the start. I then took part in the Conversational English course of Chalkboard, where our English dialogue skills were sharpened. And now, I have just signed up for the Digital Marketing course through KLIKme, which I know will be a big help in my personal development. So I am really so grateful to KLIKme for providing these different trainings to us for free."



Nickalyn and Jenalyn, like the other parent-learners in our nine pilot KLIKme communities, are beginning to turn the KLIKme keys to open new doors of opportunity for their families. **"Para sa iyo ito, anak."**



RAMON ARELLANO: Kapwa Kapatid Indeed



Learning As I Go (by Ramon Arellano)

There are endeavors in life that we would not know how to do until we actually do them. For me such is being a mentor to someone. Specifically, mentoring on subjects outside my technical field of experience or outside of my comfort zone so to speak. So when I was asked to be part of KLIKme's Kapatid Mentoring Program why I said yes you may wonder? Well, for one I knew it was to help a young someone out there back home in the Philippines! Second, I could learn this as I go. And learning I still am!

So far I am learning how to listen with intent to my mentee (or as I would like to call my "kapatid" in the KLIKme Kapatid Program). Listening without judgement, only with encouragement. No saying do this, do that or else. Just saying you are going to be fine.

I am also learning to always be there for my kapatid. Since we have started on the program back in early August we have missed only one weekly session. Being there is the least I know I can show that I care. With this so far I think it is working!



KLIKme Learner Jimmy of Bohol with his KAPATID Mentor Ramon of California.



Aside from being a KLIKme KAPATID Mentor, Ramon is also part of the KLIKme Digital Literacy Team led by Cherie Woo of California. He is an IT professional working in Silicon Valley USA and is giving the KLIKme training sessions on Session 5 Digital Ethics and has been recording the lessons with the help of his wife as well.

Behind the Pixels: Together We KLIK

by Cherie Perez Woo

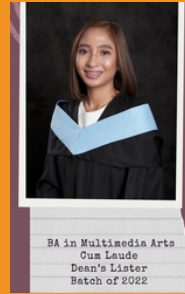


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In our interconnected world, teamwork goes beyond boundaries. Our **KLIKme Digital Literacy** video production team includes dedicated volunteers from Pandi, Bulacan, Manila, and California. We started with a bigger crew, all eager to contribute their time and skills. However, as life's demands piled up, many became too busy and had to step back. It was at this point when **Jovelyn "Jovie" Boyles** and **Angel Gonzaga** emerged as the real heroes.



Jovie, our Pandi community's video diva, embarked on video production, quickly mastered the tools, and stepped up to do the final production edits when we needed her most. She started editing videos just using her cell phone. A generous sponsor bought her a laptop and she is now able to edit many of our training videos.



Angel, our Manila-based graphic design expert, has stayed committed despite a busy schedule, giving our videos a fun and engaging visual appeal. Angel is a GKONOMICS Scholar and is a recent graduate of MINT College, with Cum Laude Honors.

Everyone Pitches in What They Can

What's truly remarkable is how we learned to understand each other, building a strong bond as we've worked together on our mission to educate the underprivileged in the Philippines. Even if everyone is busy with life obligations, people pitch in what they can and whenever they can. This is the true essence of "bayanihan" and it enables us to get the work done despite our very very limited financial resources.

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Our KLIKme Training team may be thinly spread across the globe, but we share an unwavering sense of purpose. Our experience shows that distance doesn't limit our teamwork.

When challenges arise, we persevere; we leverage each other's talents - not to forget asking for God's help to open the paths for us! We've adopted the "never give up" spirit, all within the context of our shared dream for a better Philippines. Thank you Jovie and Angel!

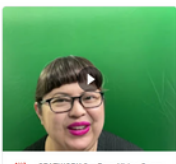
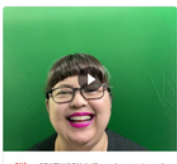
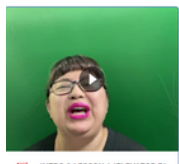
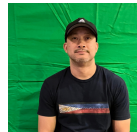
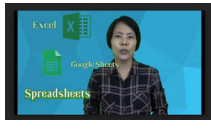
P.S.: We can use more help! If anyone is interested in joining our KLIKme video production team, please [contact us](#).



KLIKme COO Lissa Moran leads the **KLIKme Life Skills** video production team - Toni Villanueva, Oddie Espiritu, Mariel Cruz.



Skills Training Video Production shots



INTRO & LESSON 1 "ELEVATOR PL...

SEATWORK 1 (Rosy Araneta).mp4

SEATWORK 2 - Rosy Video Segm...

Building a KLIKme Identity in Our Communities

A sense of belonging. A feeling of family. Pride in carrying the KLIKme name. These are what we are striving to instill in our nine KLIKme pilot communities—beyond equipping our learners with tech-ready work skills and advanced training opportunities (as many other organizations are also doing).

Given their challenging life situations, we know that a major factor in our learners' success is a positive, caring, and supportive environment. This is how they can gain self-confidence, acquire good values and habits, and be cheered on for every achievement.



KLIKme Sulu

So we are delighted to see how our KLIKme communities have been building up this sense of family in different creative ways. Kudos to our dear Community Learning Facilitators for nurturing that Tatak KLIKme identity!



KLIKme Tacloban



KLIKme Sagbayan



KLIKme Zamboanga



KLIKme Payatas



KLIKme Loon



KLIKme Pandi



KLIKme Tatalon SD



KLIKme Smokey PH

STC ICT Projects for Social Change



Senior High School students at St. Theresa's College, Quezon City (STC) worked on information and communications technology (ICT) projects that lead to accessibility to quality education for a brighter future.

The students were given the option to work on KLIKme or STC and create materials that could be used in building up the good work both organizations do to provide quality education. Last October 24, the finalists presented their work, which included a short video and a publication material (pubmats). The following are the top winners for the four KLIKme Projects.

PROJECT 1: JOBS



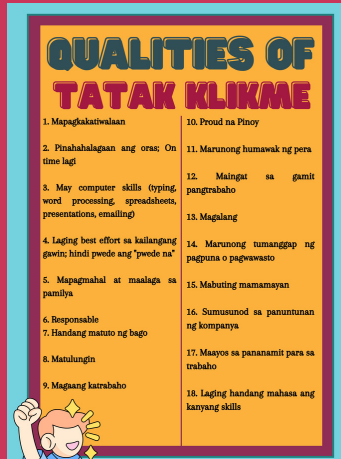
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PROJECT 2: TATAK KLIKme



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PROJECT 3: KAYA KO TO



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PROJECT 4: GLX KAAKBAY TUTORS



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KLIKme is grateful to STC for the opportunity to be a part of their students' learning experience. The outputs will certainly help in KLIKme's advocacy efforts!

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Stop the Bashing

by Rose I. Cabrera

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When someone captures what has been in your head for decades and powerfully and passionately articulates it in less than 20 minutes, you are floored at first, then you slowly digest what has been said, and carefully ponder how your actions should be guided moving forward.

UNDERSTANDING THE FILIPINO

Felipe M. de Leon, Jr.

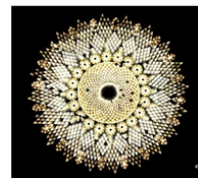


Last October 14, Felipe Mendoza de Leon, Jr., eminent Filipino cultural scholar, former Chairman of the Philippine National Commission for Culture and the Arts (NCCA) and a Professor of Humanities, gave an eye-opening talk in the KLIKme Chika Session about our Unique Philippine Culture (Kakaibang Kulturang Pilipino).

What he said needs to be repeated over and over again! Only by being aware of the root causes of Philippine underdevelopment could we effectively address the ills of our country. "Any kind of development is culture-based," according to Professor de Leon.

CLICK TO READ THE FULL ARTICLE:

<https://rosecabrera.com/f/stop-the-bashing>



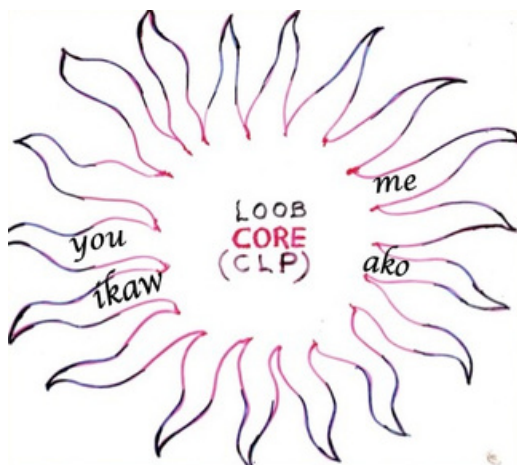
Indigenous Filipino skills/intelligences

- Among these are our superior linguistic and communication skills, expressiveness, prowess in the performing arts, high degree of gender equality, psychic health, strong sense of humour, ability to rebound after trying times, nurturing qualities, interpersonal intelligence, social networking skills, excellence in service industries, strong family ties, passion for education, and creative versatility.



THREE MAIN VALUE-ORIENTATIONS ENGENDERED BY CORE VALUE OF KAPWA

- FILIPINOS LOVE TO CONNECT, ESPECIALLY TO PEOPLE
- FILIPINOS LIKE TO EXPERIENCE THE MULTIDIMENSIONAL WHOLENESS OF LIFE
- FILIPINOS ARE HIGHLY PARTICIPATORY



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A Filipino Perspective

Build on Our Strengths

- Need for Positive Self-Image:
- Social Self-Images are Self-Fulfilling
- Root cause of Philippine underdevelopment:
Filipino tendency towards self bashing, esp. among the Westernized elite, preventing us from tapping our greatest asset for sustainable development - our cultural strengths and resources.

Upcoming Events

Kaibigan Chika Sessions: Come and join our monthly interactive learning exchange sessions via Zoom.



KLIKme KAIBIGAN NOVEMBER CHIKA SESSION

PHILIPPINES: NOVEMBER 11, 2023 * 9-10:30am
USA/ CANADA: NOVEMBER 10, 2023 * 5-6:30PM PST / 8-9:30PM EST

PATRICK HENRY NAVAL
Artist/ Architect



This Month's Topic

Art as Joy in Our Life
(Sining na Galak ng Buhay)



Sharer:
ANGEL GONZAGA
Multimedia Artist/
GKONOMICS Scholar

KAIBIGAN CHIKA SESSIONS are 1.5-hour monthly interactive learning exchange sessions via ZOOM between KLIKme learners from all over the Philippines and KAIBIGANS volunteers from all over the world.

SIGN UP TO RECEIVE ZOOM LINK AND INSTRUCTIONS: message us in our KLIK Mobile Education Facebook Messenger

www.klikme.ph

PART 1: TALK on the topic of the month (20 minutes)

PART 2: BREAKOUT ROOMS (45-60 minutes) where Learners and KAIBIGANS get to know each other and share about the topic

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