



## **Philippines Impact Report (2024)**

### **Overview**

The generous support from Cornerstone Community Church in 2024 significantly impacted the Bicol region, particularly in Tabaco City, Albay — one of the most unreached areas in the Philippines. Your investment has brought lasting transformation to schools, students, and families through education, infrastructure, and spiritual development. This report outlines every initiative funded by Cornerstone's REACH campaign and the powerful stories behind them.

### **1. Pinagbobong Elementary School – Classroom Repairs**

#### **Problem**

Two classrooms (for 5th and 6th grades) were in severe disrepair due to water leaks, structural hazards, lack of electricity, poor ventilation, and insufficient educational resources. The rainy season made them unusable for nearly half the year.

#### **Solutions Implemented**

- Professional waterproofing and structural sealing
- Reinforced and sealed roof cracks with additional cement layers
- Reconnected electrical wiring and installed new lighting
- Installed ceiling fans for ventilation
- Painted interiors and exteriors
- Installed 43" TVs for visual learning
- Repaired chalkboards, toilets, sinks, windows, and doors



## Community Impact

Students and teachers alike expressed deep gratitude. Many had given up hope after years of unfulfilled promises from other organizations. The transformation sparked renewed excitement for learning, especially with the addition of TVs. Both classrooms are now safe, attractive, and deeply appreciated by students, teachers, and families.

*Happy and feel safe... we are now proud of our classrooms and more eager to come to school."*

[Pinagbobong Elementary School Facebook Post](#) and [Kindergarten FB Post](#).



Frontside Before



Frontside After





Backside Before



Backside After





Inside Before



Inside After



## 2. Albay Dream Center – Student Center Upgrade

The Student Center, serving over 500 high school and college students, was upgraded with:

- Larger tables and chairs for comfort and better group study
- A new TV for multimedia support
- Computers and printers with free internet access for academic use
- Laptops for student use
- A printer for homework and study materials

### Impact

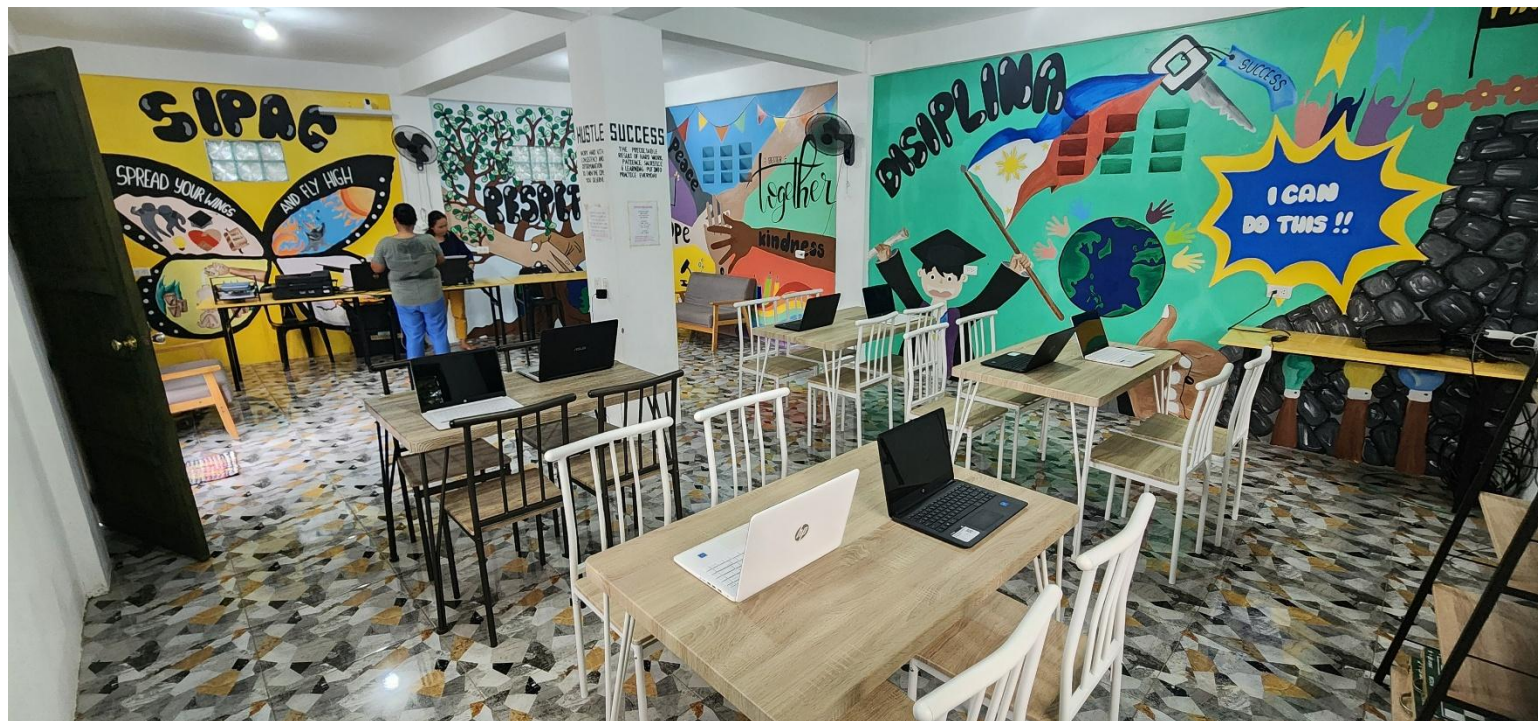
Students now have a quiet, resource-rich environment for study and mentorship. The center became a hub of encouragement, where students feel safe, loved, and spiritually nourished through daily devotions and life mentoring.

*The computers, printers, and access to the internet are life changing... I feel like I have a family here.”*



Student Center Before





Student Center After



### 3. Child Development Center (CDC) Resource Support

Cornerstone funded:

- Art supplies
- Early childhood development materials
- Two electric fans

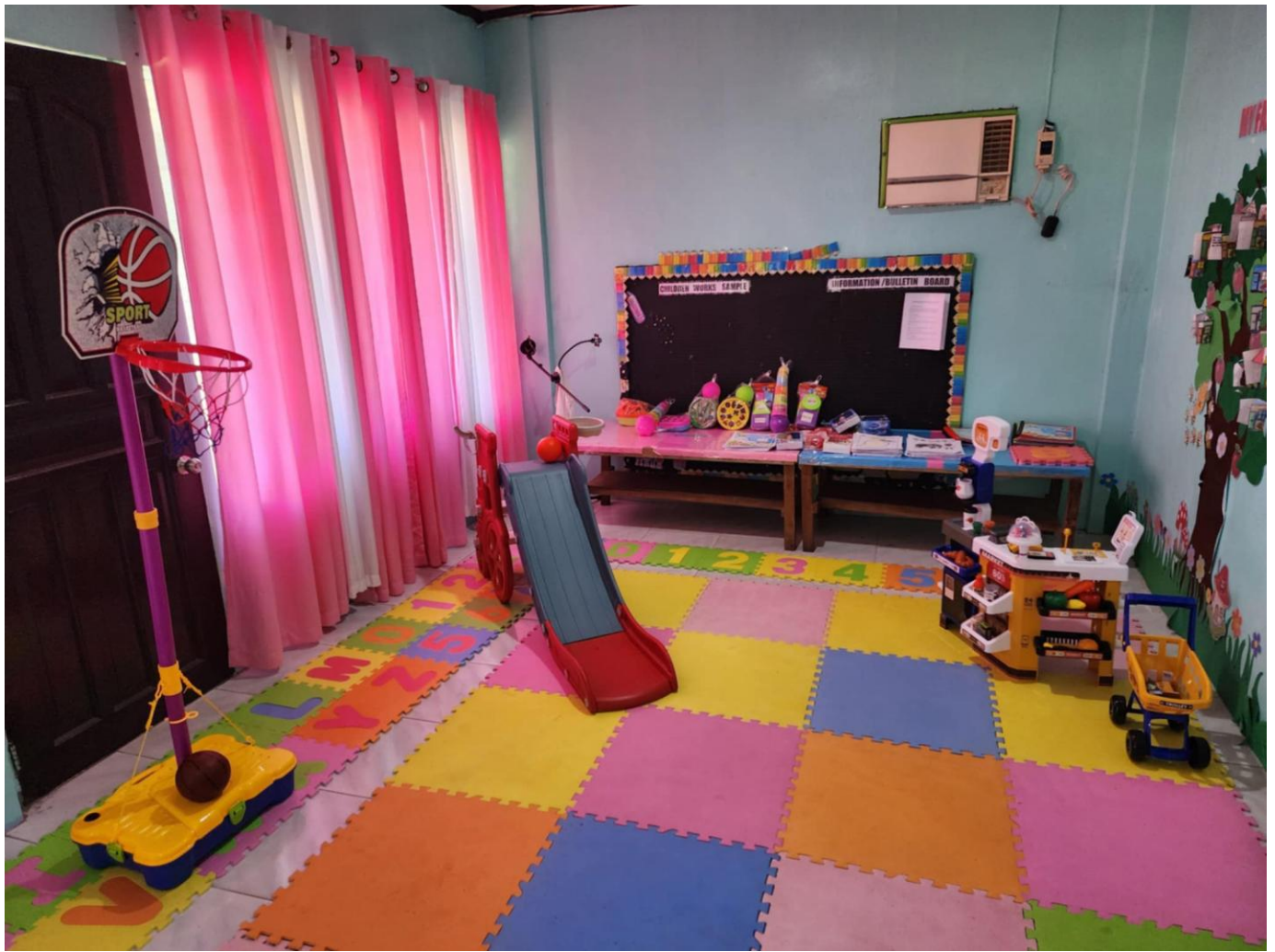
These contributions helped the local CDC achieve a higher government certification, thanks to the improved instructional materials. A video of gratitude from the children was posted on social media.

[“Thank You Video” Pinagbobong CDC](#)



Before





After



## 4. School Supplies for Remote Communities

Distributed school supplies to 300 students across five schools, including a remote island accessible only by a two-hour boat ride. These gifts provided essential learning tools to students in hard-to-reach places.

[Island School Supplies Giving FB Post](#) and [Christians in Action Church FB Post](#).















School Supplies



## 5. Technology for the New Student Center in Donsol

- Three laptops and a printer were donated
- Currently serving 20 high school students with expected growth to over 100 students by next year

This new resource hub empowers academic achievement in another community.



Three New Laptops and Printer



## 6. Swings, Seesaws, and Sports Equipment

Installed at Pinagbobong Elementary School:

- [Swings and seesaws \(painted afterward\)](#)
- Volleyball and badminton courts
- Monkey bars (scheduled for summer installation)
- Sports equipment (delivered during the Cornerstone Team visit)

[Albay Dream Center Facebook Post](#) and [PES' "Thank You" Facebook Post](#)













## 7. Read & Feed Program Support

Cornerstone supported the “Read and Feed” Program at Pinagbobong Elementary School, helping 120 students struggling with literacy.

- Meals were provided to encourage consistent participation
- Resulted in increased attendance from 70 to 130 students

[Read and Feed FB Post](#)







Read and Feed Program



## 8. Shoes for Every Student at Pinagbobong Elementary

Cornerstone provided 398 pairs of shoes to every student at the school — many of whom previously only wore sandals or slippers. This gift had a profound effect on student attendance, confidence, and participation in class.

[PES Facebook Post for the shoes gift giving.](#)











Annual Schools Shoes Project

## 9. Perimeter Fence (Planned Project)

A safety fence at the rear of the school was part of the original plan. Due to persistent rain and the school shifting its priority to a new stage/multipurpose building, this may be postponed indefinitely.

The remaining designated funds that we still have from Cornerstone may be used either for the fence or for expanding the Student Center to serve more students. We will let you know when that final project starts.

## Final Thoughts

The partnership between Cornerstone Community Church and the Albay Dream Center has not only improved physical infrastructure but also breathed new hope into a region longing for educational and spiritual support. Children are attending school more regularly, students are dreaming bigger, and entire families are witnessing the tangible love of Christ.

*Cornerstone Community Church, who did not even personally see the classrooms, helped us and even gave us large TVs."*

Thank you, Cornerstone, for being a light in the Philippines. The seeds you've sown will bear fruit for generations to come.