

the CIRCUS REACHES OUT TO THE CHILDREN *in Northern Thailand*



CARITAS *Taiwan*

has been serving the Chinese schools in Northern Thailand for more than 30 years. There are around 80 professional teachers and students from Taiwan who give teachers' training to the local schools every summer through the Summer Volunteer Program of CARITAS.

CARITAS searches and reaches out to the poor children to give them the opportunity to education.



The Cirque du Soleil came back to Taipei in time for the Chinese New Year to perform the famous "Varekai" or "Wherever," a mystical story of a journey and exploration under the forest at the summit of a volcano.

CARITAS Taiwan was contacted by a certain Ms. Chang few days after the Valentine's Day.

The children in the troupe who are studying in their mobile school raised funds for charity on the days of the hearts.

They baked cookies and sold it to the audience on that special day where they were able to raised NT\$14,520.00 in one night.

They had chosen to donated their money to the poor children in Northern Thailand where CARITAS Taiwan has been

subsidizing the poor students and the salaries of some teachers.

The children in Cirque Du Soliel raises funds for charity thrice in a year by baking cookies or making holiday cards. Their teacher related that in the occasion of Valentine's Day in Taipei, the 8 students planned and mobilized the project on their own which made them a

lot happier and proud that they did this on their own effort. They were also interested to know where their donation would go. Ms. Chang of CARITAS Taiwan assured them that their kind efforts will be told to the students in

Northern Thailand where their donation can help several poor children.

The children in Cirque du Soleil travels with the troupe around the world have reach even more the poorest of the poor by their gesture of love.

