

# Message



From the book entitled *Deaf Heritage*, I want to quote this: "It is a great handicap to be deaf but the educated Deaf do not look upon deafness as a misfortune. They do not want deafness to provoke pity nor to serve as a cloak for charity. They ask only for an equal opportunity for an education." We, here at Welcome Home Foundation, Inc. are very glad **WE HEARD THEM!**

**Sgd. Mrs. Salvacion V. Tinsay+**  
WHFI Founder

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**"All for the Greater Glory of God!"**  
*St. Ignatius of Loyola*

WELCOME HOME FOUNDATION  
INC. (WHFI)  
MINISTRY WITH THE DEAF

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## VISION

A self-reliant Welcome Home, specializing in the education of the Deaf towards their living harmoniously with their families and in the hearing world; With the guidance of God, evolve into a center of education for the Deaf.

## MISSION

To enhance the curriculum for an educational system for the Deaf in a building equipped with state of the art technology and caring and competent professionals who will work toward achieving this vision.

This system will encompass Elementary and High School Levels as well as vocational courses, giving special consideration to adult education for unschooled Deaf.



Welcome Home

Welcome Home was born from the dream of a few people who had a vision of a home where differently-abled children would live together as a family and have the opportunity to go to Special Education Schools here in Bacolod City. Principally, it is a home for children who are hearing-impaired and live outside the city but also serves as a center where all the Deaf can meet together.

## Why the name "Welcome Home"?

In our home, all who wish to visit us are always welcome. It is also a way of welcoming our Deaf brothers and sisters back into society. For such a long time, they have been pitied instead of being respected. In Welcome Home, we have Deaf children and youth who cherish and help each other overcome their handicap. Hence, Welcome Home is not an institution but a true home. They do have differences among themselves just like any other family. But like a true family, before retiring to bed at night, they come together to pray that God will help them to be a true Welcome Home family.

+(Sgd) Rev. Fr. Joe Coyle, MSSC  
WHFI Founder

## PROGRAMS and SERVICES

### WELCOME HOME RESIDENCE

It is a home away from home whose doors are open to Deaf children who live outside Bacolod City and are given a chance to study in special education schools. At present, WH Residence houses pre-school, elementary and high school Deaf students.

### EDUCATIONAL RESOURCE CENTER (ERC)

ERC is a pre-school for Deaf children and accepts pupils of the following ages:

|          |                 |         |                 |
|----------|-----------------|---------|-----------------|
| Toddler  | 2 – 3 years old | Level I | 4 – 5 years old |
| Level II | 6 years old     | Kinder  | 7 years old     |

### SPECIAL RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (SPRED)

1. Catechetical Formation: Prepares deaf and hearing volunteers and workers as future Catechists and Religion Teachers and involve them in the spiritual formation of the Deaf.

### 2. Schedule of the Interpreted Masses:

|                        |          |   |
|------------------------|----------|---|
| WH Chapel for the Deaf | 10:00 am |   |
| Bacolod City Cathedral | 10:00 am | every 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month |
| UNO-R Outreach         | 8:00 am  | every 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month |
| WH- Malaybalay         | 10:00 am |   |
| WH-Pontevedra          | 7:30 am  |   |
| Silay City             | 9:30 am  |   |
| La Carlota City        | 8:00 am  |   |

### OUTREACH PROGRAM

The Outreach Program was formed to respond to the needs of the Deaf in the Visayas and Mindanao regions. Our assistance include **Residence; Pre-school and Non-Formal Education; Religious and Sunday Mass Interpreting; and Basic Sign Language Seminars.**

### WHFI's Outreach Centers:

WH Pontevedra, Negros Occidental  
Mt. Carmel College – Escalante  
WH Malaybalay City, Bukidnon.

### LITERACY PROGRAM

It is a computer learning program for high school and adult deaf. The students learn basic computer skills, agriculture and life skills to become self reliant.

### SCHOLARSHIP GRANTS, FOREIGN AND LOCAL AIDS

Include transportation allowances and tuition fees for indigent Deaf students in public schools through the benevolence of local and foreign benefactors (Italy, Germany, Japan & Belgium) with parents' counterpart.

Support Service: **Philippine Registry of Interpreter's for the Deaf (PRID)**

### Services:

Basic Sign Language for parents of the deaf, teachers, students & others.  
Classroom interpreting  
Seminars and conferences interpreting  
Catechetical instruction and liturgical services  
Medical and legal interpreting

### FACILITIES:

- ✓ Speech and Hearing Test Room & Equipments
- ✓ Welcome Home Farm Livelihood Projects:
- ✓ Welcome Home Residence facilities & Improvements:
- ✓ Andreas Ferenczy Library, & Study Center:
- ✓ Newly installed Computer units, software & Audio Visual Room
- ✓ MS – 40 Hearing Aid Analyzer, USB Hi-Pro for fitting Digital Aids and Hearing Aids:
- ✓ Computer Units with Speech Viewer Program & Hearing Aids:
- ✓ Fr. Joseph Coyle Chapel for the Deaf
- ✓ Toddler room and pre-school classrooms & playground

### We are Partners with:

- Assisi Development Foundation
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