



October is National Dental Hygiene Month



Because of the kind effort of a child sponsor who made a meaningful connection with Colgate-Palmolive, over 500 disabled, abandoned, and HIV positive children in orphanages in Vietnam are smiling brighter.

This past summer, Colgate-Palmolive's "Bright Smiles, Bright Futures" initiative was provided for Vietnamese children in seven orphanages that are supported by Pearl S. Buck International. The program educates children about the merits of good oral hygiene and explains its importance to overall health. Representatives from Colgate-Palmolive provided the children with toothbrushes, toothpaste, mouthwash, and posters and taught the children how to properly brush and take care of their teeth as part of a daily routine. "Dr. Rabbit" also made a special appearance to generate fun and excitement as he encouraged the children to be "Tooth Defenders".

Tooth decay affects millions of underprivileged children who do not have adequate access to basic dental care and education. Now, these children are putting their new toothbrushes and toothpaste to good use and looking forward to a healthy smile for a happier life.

You can continue to help these children and others who do not have access to good dental care. Please visit our website at www.pearlsbuck.org/fund-a-project to learn how. You can also help children in the Philippines receive hygiene kits to promote good dental health at www.pearlsbuck.org/support-a-specific-need. 🌐





Pearl S. Buck International

Philippines Cultural Tour

**February 19
through
March 1, 2019**



Immerse yourself in the Filipino culture

during this 11-day excursion, prepared exclusively for friends of Pearl S. Buck International. Live the Pearl S. Buck legacy firsthand as you visit with sponsored children in their homes in Bulacan, Pampanga, and Zambales. Uplift the lives of sponsored children as you deliver food and participate in activities with them. The trip is planned to include time for cultural attractions such as Corregidor Island and Coron, Palawan.

Experience a new type of travel—one that will leave a lasting impact on your life and the lives of the sponsored children in the Philippines. Reservations for the trip are accepted until November 15, 2018. For more details visit www.pearlsbuck.org/cultural-trips.



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