

Indigenous Church Brings Warmth in the Winter – Aiguopu Spreads Joy

The end of winter with spring just around the corner is the most exciting yet disappointing time of year. Before the holidays, Aiguopu Presbyterian Church under the Prison Fellowship Taiwan formed a group to visit Taichung Prison to shower inmates with blessings and care.

Pastor Iyasu Sulailai led 23 members of the church to visit Taichung Prison from 14:00 to 16:00 on December 22nd, 2016 before Christmas, holding an evangelical rally with indigenous songs. Taichung Aiguopu Church was originally a church organization of Taitung Aiguopu, but the area's remote location made employment difficult for the youth, and some relocated to Rainbow Community in Taichung's Nantun, where they put down roots. Taichung Aiguopu Presbyterian Church was formed to unite members of the tribe. The performance that day was spectacular showing the bold, free and easy characteristics of indigenous peoples. Their high pitch made the performance unlike other singing performance and touched the hearts of inmates that were there.



The purpose of edification is to search for the conscience long buried within by touching the hearts of inmates, so that their inner good will defeat the evil that is misguiding them and bring them back. The great power of religion often brings unexpected results, and any religion, whether it may be Buddhism, Christianity or Catholicism, is welcome by correctional facilities as long as they guide people on to the right path.

We are grateful to Aiguopu Church for their effort and passionate performance, and believe that it will bring warmth to inmates in this cold winter for a pleasant holiday.

