

Friends of Prisoners Children

Special Event held at Colombo Welikade Prison

8 January 2017

On 8 January 2017 we invited all the children sponsored by Friends of Prisoners Children (265), and their guardians (mostly, the mother) from all over the country to the Colombo Welikade Prison - to spend the day with the parent in prison. It was a glorious success, thanks to everyone who helped us. The emotion of that day was something to thank God for.....





Father, Mother and Child sitting together under a beautifully decorated tent







The photos will speak better than I can say..







The 'star' students who got over 80% on their principal's annual evaluation got very special gifts, and each of them came to the stage with their mother and father, to meet the Commissioner General who was our chief guest.











A 'magic show' was enjoyed by young and old.









We catered for 800 persons. Morning breakfast was given more than sufficient for each family, and lunch was served to each individual. It was such an emotional sight, to see the family sitting together, eating and chatting among themselves.





We gave each child a parcel of stationery sufficient for the school year, and adequate travel allowance from their homes. Many had travelled the entire night to be at the event at 8 am.











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