



## Enhancing partnership engagement

One of the success stories of the HKMF/US partner's contribution in the improvement process of child nutritional status in Kinshasa is the inter-communicational system set up by our organization. Never in the past the three feeding centers had the opportunity to meet and discuss or share their visions on how they intervene while improving the status of children under their responsibilities. Given to the monthly join meeting led by the HKMF, the three partners have developed a comprehensive consulting approach that help them to share their ideas and approaches on how they can better improve their interventions:

1. *they discuss ways to involve all community actors in collaborative prevention malnutrition,*
2. *they discuss about the roles and responsibilities of parents with respect to child conditions at home*
3. *they discuss about preventives measures that parents should be aware of*
4. *they discuss about potential barriers to involving parents in HIV/AIDS prevention and/or family planning programs*
5. *they discuss how coalitions and partnerships can help them stay engaged in child care prevention.*

The above photo where we can see from left to right Mr.



Wingi (HKMF), Dr. Laura (Kimbondo pediatric center), Mr. Albert (Ste. Bernadette center), nun Regine (Elimasantu center), and the representative of local authority with a group of ladies behind (they were attending the HKMF HIV/AIDS workshop) proves how serious the partnership between these forces are.

## Back to school

It was a wonderful sunny day when the HKMF and its local partners representatives proceeded to the distribution of school kits. The kit included uniforms, pens and pencils, ..., copy books and school fees. The majority of



beneficiaries were no longer going to school because of the socio-economical situation of their families. All of them along with parents thanked the HKMF/US partner.

## Testimony

We have summarize testimonies from local partners, families and children in the annual report. However we are proud to include in this fact sheet few words from Dr. Laura. "I am extremely grateful for HKMF and its US partner's support. That God bless all of those people who are doing their best in collecting ting money and clothes for children. I am still confident and hope that with the will of God I will continue to serve these children. They are so important for the rest of my life. I also believe that we will keep up our collaboration for the best of the children." Said Dr. Laura.



## Coming HKMF event

The HKMF and the three local partners are projecting a child & mother's day conference. Through this event, they intend to advocate and promote the rights of child and mother in one side, and in the other side they intend to present some basic alternatives to alleviate poverty and severe malnutrition. Details on this event will be shared with all partners in the next coming days. ■