

Ji'an Social Welfare Institute

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General Information

- Institute Director: Mr. Liu
- Institute Deputy Director: Mei Yongsheng, also head of the Amity Foster Care Program at Ji'an - Division Employee: Zeng Qinghua
- Physical Exams: Institute workers visit foster families on the 15th and 30th of every month to administer vaccinations to foster children who need them. They also give a physical exam to every foster child on the 30th.
- Number of Children: The Ji'an Social Welfare Institute has a total of more than 50 children. Twelve are in foster care, sponsored by the Amity Foundation. Twenty nine children have cerebral palsy or other disabilities, and are living at the institution. The remaining number of children are infants.

Overall Impression

We visited with all twelve foster children. Four children are new to the foster program and have been placed with two families. In one of the homes, the foster mom is a recently retired nurse from the orphanage who had been missing the children very much. When the orphanage was looking for a foster home, this family was happy to have two of the children. The children placed in her care had an easy transition, since they already knew her.

We were also able to visit with four Hugging Grannies. One of the Grannies was out sick on the day of our visit.

