

June 17, 2011 Xinyu Social Welfare Institute Report

1. General Information

- a. **Institute Director:** Ms. Rong (荣院长; transferred from the Civil Affairs Bureau)
- b. **Party Secretary:** Yang Bin (杨斌)
- c. **Institute Deputy Directors:** Ms. Liu (刘院长), Ms. Li (李院长), Mr. Deng (邓院长)
- d. **Number of Children:** the Xinyu Institute is responsible for a total of 130 children, a slight majority of whom have disabilities. Approximately 20 of these children are funded by the Institute for foster care.

2. Overall Impression

- a. **Administration:** former director Yang Bin became the secretary of the Institute when Ms. Rong assumed the responsibilities of Institute director in January of this year. There are also three deputy directors: Director Li manages the Children's Division.

As for Amity's projects at Xinyu, Director Liu is familiar with both our work and the students we sponsor for school, having previously managed the Children's Division with Director Li. She pays special attention to our scholarship students in the course of her work.

- b. **New building:** the new building which houses the Xinyu Institute's Children's Division has three floors. The first floor has a rehabilitation room, activity room, and multimedia room. Infants and toddlers live on the second floor, while children with disabilities reside on the third floor.



c. Most of the children in the picture below have a cognitive disability. Also pictured are children with hearing impediments, speech impediments, and mild cerebral palsy.



3. Interviews

Met with 3 scholarship children. Two of these students have just graduated from the Xinyu Southeastern Professional School. The other will continue at the Nanchang School for the Blind. And for the upcoming 2011-12 school year we will have four new students in need of support. Two are deaf and two have developmental delays and they will attend the Xinyu Special Education School. Their photos are included below. Because this is a boarding school the costs will range from \$401 to \$603 for the year so donations of any amount would be a great help at keeping them in school.



