

The Message This Month

THANKSGIVING DAY

When we receive something from some one we usually say, "Thank you." Why? Because the habit of saying it shows that we are grateful and courteous. One who does not say "thank you" for a favor done to him is not polite; he is rude.

Usually every year the last Thursday of November is set aside as Thanksgiving Day. This is a custom of the American people which we followed. It is a beautiful custom because it makes us all, as one people, say "Thank you" to God for all the things that we have received.

As school children we have many things for which we are thankful to God:—

For our father and mother who take care of us. They give us food, clothes, home, and love. They send us to school so that when we grow to be men and women we would be able to take care of ourselves.

For our health which makes us able to do many things. We enjoy life—we can play, we can go to school, and we can help our parents in their work. Because of these things we are happy.

For our friends who play with us.

For the schools where we go every day to learn many things that make us good citizens.

For our teachers who patiently teach us to become men and women.

For everything that makes it possible for us to live with health and happiness.

This year Thanksgiving Day will be on November 26. But let us be thankful not only for one day but every day of the year.

—DR. I. PANLASIGUI