

Rev. Bro. Pubudu Rajapakse was born on the 20th of November 1973 in a village called Niripola in Hanwella. He received his primary education at Niripola R.C. Vidyalaya. He commenced his academic studies under the guidance of the De La Salle Brothers at De Mazenod College, Kandana, one of the reputed private Catholic Colleges in Sri Lanka. During his schooling career, he took a keen interest in sports activities. While playing for the College soccer and cricket teams, he also captained the under 19 volley ball team and participated in long distance running events and while taking part in other sports such as badminton and table tennis. On completion of his College education, he was inspired to the dedication of educational services to the poor by joining the Religious Congregation of the Brothers of the Christian Schools whose main apostolate is Catholic education. He received his religious formation in Pakistan and the Philippines.

On his return to Sri Lanka in 1996, Bro. Pubudu was assigned his apostolate at St. Benedict's College, Kotahena, another Catholic private school run by the De La Salle Brothers.

In 1998, he was called by his superiors to serve at the Sri Lanka Technical Institute & Diyagala Boys' Town Projects, Ragama, a vocational training Institute for poor marginalized boys' where he served as a Teacher, Manager, Deputy Managing Director and to date, as its' Managing Director. In 2001, during his apostolic service at Diyagala Boys' Town, he was awarded a scholarship from the Italian Bishop's Conference in Rome to further pursue his higher studies in Bangalore University, India where he also completed a Masters Degree in development studies. On his return to Sri Lanka in 2004, he continued his studies further and obtained his Masters in Business Administration degree from the University of Kelaniya.

During his term as Managing Director of the Institute, he played a very constructive part in being able to establish a 'home' for street children with the cooperation and financial support of the Lions Club District 60B 2 of Sri Lanka which is today called the KidCare Home & resident school. During this period he initiated a number of development projects in agriculture, livestock farming and technical vocational training units.

One of the strategies he adopted to maintain and manage the Institution was to invite and successfully conclude mortgages with reputed business organizations in the agricultural, automation and wood working trades to occupy some of the Institutes unproductive entities and convert them as a part of their core business premises which ensured long term financial stability to the Institute.