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My Visit to Grace Care Child Program

UGANDA

Nine years ago, I met a man in a queue at a conference in Sydney. "We must do something about the aids orphans in our country. There are so many, we do not know what to do." We. I felt the weight of those orphans on my shoulders! Emmanuel shared his vision for these children and my husband and I have supported the project ever since! There are so many needs in the world today but Emmanuel and the children of Uganda were placed in my path for a reason.



We have just returned from visiting Uganda, with friends Nikki and Ali from Sydney. Our first real holiday in over 30 years and we chose Uganda! I have been following the progress of this project from 30 children to now over 200, with two meals a day and a quality education on minimal resources. The project exceeded my expectations by far. What of the character of Emmanuel and Sarah, his wife? Humble, self-sacrificing and gifted people with servant hearts.

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HADA supporters have paid for most of the classrooms and the toilets. Teachers are mostly volunteers (I would love to see Australian schools sponsoring a teacher for stability of staff!). I work in a Primary School in South Australia and this little school in Uganda is outstanding! In Uganda, children start school

at 7:00 a.m. and finish the day at 4:30 p.m. Students who have no relatives are fostered by church families. Students can attend school on Saturdays! And they do... voluntarily!

There was a special assembly to welcome us. Every class presented to us and the common theme running through many items was, "Education, education, education! Education is the key... Education is my life!" Dedicated students; dedicated staff.

The most pressing need now is to raise money to build the final step: the vocational high school to complete their education, to equip these kids with the skills to make a living — the final step required to complete the hopes of Ugandan children.

Land has been donated and we visited the site. I believe it is the season to build and I feel a sense of urgency to do this as fast as possible. We have a tar-

get of \$200,000 to raise for the construction (very cheap by Australian standards and would more than do the job). My husband and I will do our best to raise as much money as we can here in South Australia. My dream job title at age 52 is to be a philanthropist! The only thing missing? You guessed it — the money! We are everyday people both working



to pay off a mortgage. Current and new supporters, I ask that you will help us and hopefully one day can visit the project and see for yourself how beautiful the people of Uganda really are!

I would be more than happy to answer any questions people may have about the project at skeatesjo30@gmail.com

~ Jo Skeates

The Good Neighbour Society

MONGOLIA

The Good Neighbour Society (GNS) was founded in 1993 and has been serving the people of Mongolia since then. Our purpose is community development through education, social development and relief projects. We want to serve the people as a 'good neighbour', dealing with the physical, mental and spiritual needs of the people.

We have our headquarters, and a Community Centre and Mobile Drop-in Centre in UlaanBaatar, the capital, and a branch in Ulaan-Gom, Uvs province, where we have our Elio kindergarten (see separate article).

In our office, we take care of everyday business, but we also invest in our workers' lives by providing training and fellowship. At the Community Centre we work with families and provide comfort and hope for those who are living on the streets. At Elio kindergarten, we are investing in the future of the children and

through the animal bank we are providing opportunities for families to re-start their lives.

Lives are being touched through every project and we see fruit: the health of the children is improving, and families are being restored. We have dreams to grow: we want to see the Elio kindergarten become like the Community Centre where

families can come and take steps to a better life, and our workers becoming leaders in the community.

We are so grateful for all the support we have been receiving. Thank YOU for being a “good neighbour”, helping Mongolians know that there is HOPE. However, the job is not done. There are more opportunities to impact lives and make a difference to so many here in Mongolia.

Last year we received a short-term team that prepared a program for the teenagers and as a

result, today we have a group of teens learning English, interested in their studies and dreaming of a better future.

This year we received two teachers and one taught families how to cook a healthy meal and the other taught at the local school how to recognise and help children in their classes that need more attention. You also can be a “good neighbour” here in Mongolia by supporting our projects or by serving with us. If you would like to know us better, please visit our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/GNSUlaanbaatar/>



Elio Day Care Centre

Uvs province is located 1,500 km north-west of the capital city of Mongolia, UlaanBaatar, and borders with Russia in the north. The provincial centre is UlaanGom (marked in red in the map below). Uvs is one of the coldest provinces in Mongolia, with temperatures reaching to -45°C.

When opened in 2011, Elio kindergarten served 40 children aged four to five each year from poverty stricken families in UlaanGom for one school-year free of charge. The project has seen over 250

children graduate from the program, enrolling in primary schools. In June this year, Good Neighbour Society (GNS) obtained full ownership of the kindergarten building after paying the agreed price to a Swiss organisation in 2009.

In September, GNS leadership modified the program to host 32 children who were charged nominal tuition fees and eight children free of

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charge because of their poverty level. This is the initial stage of GNS turning the program into self-support, encouraging pupils to contribute minimum fees and raising awareness in the local community to get involved in early education.

Where the kindergarten is located, there is no other educational facility available and people living in the district are commonly considered poverty stricken and uneducated. Currently GNS awaits the confirmation of financial support from the State Educational Department. When this comes through, it will be annually from January 2018.

Project aims:

1. Advocate the importance and necessity of preschool education for the families in poverty stricken areas.
2. To have a self-sustaining day care program for the community.
3. Provide job opportunities for people in high unemployment areas. To fight high unemployment, the program hires six local staff members such as two main teachers, an assistant teacher, a cook, a watchman and a local project manager. They will have on-the-job training through seminars, and courses available in the community or in the capital city during the summer break.
4. Provide kindergarten education in the district where there is no other educational facility existing.

Thank you for all your help. Greetings from Uvs province, Mongolia.

Dr. Delgermaa Tsegmid
Executive Director

Good Neighbour Society of Mongolia



**HADA
20-Year
Celebration**



**HADA Chairman
Andrew Ismay**

Our HADA 20-Year Celebration Dinner in September was a great success and an excellent opportunity for our friends and supporters to get a clearer overview of the many and varied projects we are running in seventeen countries. Jill Wallis shared about two projects in Bangladesh, Dr Miriam Edwards about medical work in Africa and there were video clips and powerpoint presentations that brought everything to life.



Current HADA Projects

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AFGHANISTAN

NOOR-Ophthalmic Technician Training Program

Manager: Liz Green

- Providing training for the treatment of eye conditions [AFG-010]

AFRICA and ASIA

Medical Training in Africa and Asia

Manager: Dr Judith Goh

- Training African and Asian doctors in treating women with genital tract fistula [AFR-010]

Library Aid International Inc

Manager: Peter Cunningham

- Providing books for schools to improve educational outcomes and life opportunities. [AFR-011]

BANGLADESH

New Hope Ministry Bangladesh Trust

Manager: Warwick Lloyd

- **Rural project** to help orphanage self-sufficiency [BGD-010]
- **Multi-Purpose Educational Buildings** [BGD-012]

BURUNDI

Mustard Seeds Projects

Manager: Des Willmott

- Meat chickens, fish farming and biogas projects [BDI-010]

CAMBODIA

Siem Reap

Manager: Jonathan and Heleen Wolters

- **Bridge of Hope:** Working with families and communities to prevent children at risk becoming street children (or sold/ending up in prostitution). [KHM-010]
- Family Sponsorship [KHM-018]

Good Neighbours Pre-School

Manager: Julie and Will Fowles

- A pre-school for disadvantaged children. [KHM-013]

CHINA

Hope Of Tomorrow

Managers: Daniel and Irene Kim

[CHN-014]

- Giving hope to the blind [CHN-013]

INDIA

Maxton Strong Orphanage School, Banbassa

Manager: Rick Shipway [IND-014]

Manager: Clifton Shipway [IND-015]

- Kindergarten Construction: to provide suitable education facilities for early learners [IND-017]

Maxton Strong School Staff

Accommodation

- Building accommodation for school staff [IND-018].

IRAQ

Sulaymaniyah, Kurdistan

Optician Training Centre

- Apprenticeship program for opticians [IRQ-010]

KAZAKHSTAN

HADA, Astana

Manager: David Pichotta [KAZ-013]

- **Alcoholism:** Education, literature, and support groups for alcoholics and their families. [KAZ-010]
- **Open Doors Community Centre:** a place to gain employable skills and life skills for young adults, couples and parents. [KAZ-011]
- **Valueology:** assisting schools by providing materials, and teaching values to teenagers. [KAZ-012]

MONGOLIA

Good Neighbor Society, Ulaanbaatar

Manager: Tsegmid Delgermaa

- Family Development Program [MNG-010]

Good Neighbour Society — Mobile Drop-In Centre

Manager: Corrie van der Esch

[MNG-019]

- Assist homeless people in UlaanBaatar [MNG-018]

Elio Day Care Centre

- A preschool for children in a poverty-stricken area [MNG-020]

NEPAL

ACN Health Promotion

Manager: Dr Julie Lincoln [NPL-011]

- Providing access to safe drinking water and toilets, improve knowledge of hygiene/sanitation, nutrition and preventable diseases [NPL-012]

PAPUA NEW GUINEA

PK4 Haus Pikinini Orphanages

Development [PNG-010]

SIERRA LEONE

Syke Street School

Manager: Dr Themis Adamopoulos

- Providing school canteen, medical clinic, and toilets [SLE-013]

PK4A Orphanages Development

- Building orphanages to create a positive, loving environment for abandoned and neglected children [SLE-012]

SOUTH AFRICA

My Father's House Worcester

Manager: Jan Buchanan [ZAF-011]

- **Community Centre** for vulnerable teenagers [ZAF-010]

UGANDA

Grace Care Child Program

Manager: Emmanuel Kanuli

- To build classrooms for orphaned/disadvantaged children [UGA-020]

ZAMBIA

Oasis Care Project, Ndola

Manager: Lainah Phiri [ZMB-013]

- **Market garden** for orphanage [ZMB-010]
- Gardeners: Benson and Alison [ZMB-012]

DISASTER RELIEF

- Bangladesh floods [DIS-000]
- Help for Syrian refugees [DIS-010]

WHERE MOST NEEDED

The board will allocate these funds to projects in most need [WMN-010]



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