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Visiting **BRIDGE OF HOPE** and **GOOD NEIGHBOURS PRE-SCHOOL**

CAMBODIA

y son Joshua and I had the privilege of visiting Cambodia recently both as tourists and visitors to two projects supported by HADA: Bridge of Hope and Good Neighbours Pre-School. We thoroughly enjoyed experiencing the culture and friendliness of the Cambodian people wherever we went.

Our experience highlighted for us that it's not well known by many Australians the direct and indirect struggles many people face in other countries and also the great work being done by those called to train, support and help those in need.

Bridge of Hope

We visited Bridge of Hope school in Siem Reap. It was great to see the children both in the classroom and during meals; they were happy and cheeky, like other primary school children their age in



Australia, with each of them looking very smart and proud in their school uniforms. We toured the school buildings and met some of the teachers, counselling staff, management and support staff, who

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are each passionate to help the students develop and grow to the best of their ability in spite of difficult cultural and family circumstances.

The staff at the school are mostly Cambodian and it was great to see, through training and support, what a great job they are doing in spite of many daily challenges in regards to attendance, rice distribution, supporting parents, running programs and managing the administration and finances of the school.

Good Neighbours Pre-School

The next project we visited was Good Neighbours Pre-school in Tria, Takéo Province, south of Phnom Penh. The pre-school currently has two classrooms full of children, located in a government

primary school. We were able to meet the enthusiastic teachers looking to help develop the children, and enjoyed seeing the happy children learning in well laid-out rooms.

We met the school principal who thanked us for the previous support the school had received from HADA and outlined new challenges they are facing. It was a good opportunity to see and to understand how the management of education and the interaction with the Cambodian government works within this province and township.

The great work being done by the teachers and the team called to help train and equip them, was evident both in the classrooms and outside of school where we met the staff and students in an informal environment.

Thank You

The opportunity to see two projects HADA supports was a great encouragement to continue to support those in the field, who are doing such a wonderful job. I would like to thank the support staff at both projects who were happy for us to visit and who spent time giving us insights into the work being done and the challenges of running projects in a developing country.

~ Andrew Ismay President, HADA Board

TAX DEDUCTIBLE GIFTS

HADA has Gift Deductible Recipient status with the Australian Taxation Office (ATO) and we have the privilege of offering donors Tax Deductible receipts for donations to approved projects. All the projects listed are approved for tax deductibility. If you do not know which one to support, then you can donate to 'where most needed' (WMN-010) and these funds are distributed by the board as specific requests come in.

By donating to tax deductible projects you are able to claim back on your personal tax return and the ATO will return to you a portion of the funds donated.

HADA is run by volunteers and our operational

costs are minimal, being 1.98% in 2015. All the funds you donate are sent to the project, less bank and accountancy fees, so you have 'more bang for your buck'.

If you have been thinking of making a donation but have not got around to it, now is the time and you can include the amount in this year's tax return. Either use the donation form that comes with *Inspire* or go to the website www.hada.org.au and make the donation there.

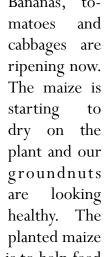
The glad hand is all right in sunshine, but it's the helping hand on a dark day that folks remember to the end of time. Amadeo P. Giannini

WATER, WATER, EVERYWHERE

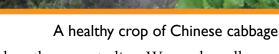
ZAMBIA

The Oasis Project aims to care for the women and vulnerable children of Kantalomba, Zambia. Kantalomba is a community ravaged by HIV/AIDS with most living bore will make so much difference to the amount and variety of plants that we can grow on the farm. Already we have planted so much more than this time last year, and are just now beginning

> to reap what we have sown. Bananas, matoes and cabbages are ripening now. The maize is starting dry on the plant and our groundnuts looking healthy. The planted maize



is to help feed



below the poverty line. We work with over 400 women and children to help them reach their potential through food relief, education, creating job opportunities, health care and safe home environments. We are developing our 12-hectare plot of land to help reach these goals and following are the latest developments.

The long-awaited bore on the Oasis Care farm was finally drilled in late November 2015. With baited breath we waited and prayed that water would be found at a reasonable depth. Twentyfive metres in and they struck gold — well, water anyway. They continued drilling to 50 metres to ensure a good return. This

all our women and children.

With the bore now providing much needed water we can plant all year round, so already we have seedlings coming up and ready to plant out.

Our hammer mill is up and running thanks to a team from Tasmania working

with our Zambian friends to build a secure shed from which to operate it.

Another project we started last year is about be

chicken and egg production and also in marketing — skills that will stand them in good stead for future employment and, or, their own small businesses. This year we are making a concentrated effort to get sponsorship for some of our children in Kantalomba. So far this has been slow going and we still have 36 children who need help to get an education. We have also offered sponsorship for the widows and so far have had a good response with several of them attending night school — these women do

not know how to read or write

and they are so excited to at last

be able to learn. This will help

them in their attempts to find

pleted; we are hoping that in the

next few months to have our first

batch of chickens growing and

producing eggs to sell, provid-

ing a source of income. Hope-

fully too, it will provide a chance to teach young people skills in

work in their community. ~ Margaret Parry



SUMAN RESCUED FROM AN EARLY DEATH

NEPAL

ake your son home to die. We can't do anything for him.' This was the advice from government doctors — devastating news for any parent to hear. Sixteen-year-old Suman, anxiously sitting up in bed to hear how the doctors would help him turned his face to the wall so no one would see his tears.

What happened? What brought him to this place? Suman was born to a poor family in a typical Nepali village. He couldn't find work in Nepal, so, like many others, once he turned 16, he travelled to India to work. Working as a day labourer in construction, one day he brushed against a live electrical wire; he got a shock and was severely burned. After emergency treatment in India, Suman was brought to the government hospital in Pokhara, near his village. He was scared,



in pain and didn't understand what was happening. But he hoped the doctors would make him better, only to hear that they were sending him home to die.

At this point, friends of the family asked ACN's health advocacy team for help. Our nurse, Milan, and I talked to the hospital staff, to Suman and his family to find out more about his condition. We felt surgery would help,

but he could not afford this. So we arranged admission to the Tansen Mission Hospital, four to five hours away which has a burns unit and a poor-fund. Local church leaders organised transport to get him there. We advocated with poor fund staff to cover the cost of his treatment.

Back home in his village [photo on the right], Suman looked like a totally different person to the despairing boy we first met in hospital. Happy again, he is looking after his younger siblings and glad to be alive.

As is often the case in Nepal, this is not the end of the story; follow-up is needed. For about a year Suman was doing very well. He was enjoying life in his village, studying again and looking forward to the future. But then he developed a crack in the damaged skin on one leg which resulted in an infection that didn't heal.



Now, he needs further surgery and three weeks stay in hospital. Nepali hospitals, patients usually need to pay for everything. Suman's surgery would normally cost \$10,000 — way beyond the reach of what a poor village family can pay. Our advocacy team again stepped in to help. Some hospitals have funds for the poor (although these are not advertised and most people don't know they exist). Milan spoke with the surgeon who offered to do the operation for free. The hospital poor-fund has agreed to cover the cost of investigations, dressings and bed charge. So, the only costs we need to raise are transport to Kathmandu for Suman and a carer, medicine, food and incidental costs. We want to raise these funds quickly and send Suman for the operation as soon as possible. ~ Dr Julie Lincoln



Current HADA Projects

All projects listed are approved for tax deductibility www.hada.org.au

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 A

 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. [AFR-011]

BANGLADESH

New Hope Ministry Bangladesh Trust

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

CAMBODIA

Siem Reap

Manager: Cambodia Management

- 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: HyangSuk Lee [KHM-017]

 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] • School Extensions [IND-016]

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: WooYoung Kim

 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]

NEPAL

ACN Health Promotion [NPL-012] Manager: Dr Julie Lincoln [NPL-011]

 Providing access to safe drinking water and toilets, improve knowledge of hygiene/sanitation, nutrition and preventable diseases.

SIERRA LEONE

Waterloo School

 Teacher Training and Placement, and Amputee Clinic [SLE-011]

PK4A Orphanages Development [SLE-012]

 Building orphanages to create a positive, loving environment for abandoned and neglected children.

SOUTH AFRICA

My Father's House Worcester

Manager: Jan Buchanan

 A Community Centre for vulnerable teenagers [ZAF-010]

UGANDA

100% Hope

Manager: Trishelle Sayuuni [UGA-014]

- 100% Hope Educate: building a school. [UGA- 011]
- 100% Hope Medical Clinic: providing healthcare for children and pregnant women. [UGA-013]
- 100% Hope Homes: giving children from remote areas acces to education [UGA-015]

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

- Syrian Refugees [DIS-010]
- Nepal Earthquake [DIS-000]



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