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#### **HADA's Vision**

To see medical, educational, agricultural and sanitation programs established in countries as needed.

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# Hailaast Community Centre

### MONGOLIA

AILAAST Community Centre was established seven years ago. In the beginning, we started working with 40 kids who had either dropped out of school, were addicted to computer games, or were homeless and supported their parents and families. Now we provide a variety of programs and services for 90 to 100 children, adolescents, their parents, and seniors. HADA's contribution to help establish Mongolian's first community centre was significant and it became a great model for other family support organisations.

Our free programs include mothers' group, school for fathers, seniors' meetings, home visitation for bed-ridden seniors, adolescent time, parents' reading time, neighbourhood game time, and training against alcohol addiction. Our community stakeholders, such as elementary school administrators, government workers, and individuals recognise the positive impact of our programs on our participating children. Their families now make regular referrals to us.



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Let us share the story of one boy as an example of the impact of our collaboration with HADA. His name

is Bat and we met him seven years ago. He was

living in a very difficult situation with his parents, grandmother and three other children in a tiny wood shed. Bat has a disability. We started financially supporting him to go back to school, found a new home, and in-

cluded him in the after-school program at the centre. His parents were invited to come to family training. Within two

years, his family's life improved significantly when his father left his alcohol addiction, found a job to support the family, and built a new house. We were able to provide emotional support during the most difficult moments of losing his mother and grandmother.

Recently we visited Bat's home; he is the second oldest child in his family. Even with his disability, he was able to graduate from his high school and find a job in an agricultural company which specialises in growing trees and vegetables. He has become a tree grower instead of a person who is hopeless, lost, and without any goals.

The story of Bat is only one example. There have been life-changing stories for hundreds of children. Thus, we would like to thank you for your support.

~ Degi Tsegmidi

# Medical Training in Africa and Asia

edical Training in Africa and Asia (MTA) has ongoing involvement in training local health practitioners (doctors, nurses) in Uganda, Myanmar, Cambodia, Bangladesh and Pacific Islands.

#### **MYANMAR**

For December we are planning workshops on urogynaecology and vacuum extraction in both Yangon and Mandalay Central Women's Hospitals. These workshops include both outpatient and inpatient teaching for doctors and nurses and hands-on teaching in the operating theatre for the same local gynaecologists to essentially 'train the trainers'.

Yangon has been performing surgeries independently and is requesting further teaching on other procedures.

In December we will also conduct 'obstetric perineal injury workshops' for midwives working in remote areas, and on the use of pessaries for pelvic organ prolapse. MTA provides funds for travel and food for the patients, as many are



Prof Anna Rosamilia assisting Dr Lei during surgery at Yangon, Myanmar

unable to afford these costs. MTA also purchases surgical equipment to enable the local health practitioners to provide ongoing services after the workshops.

#### **CAMBODIA**

This year we returned to Khmer Soviet Friendship Hospital in Cambodia at the request of the local gynaecologists and assisted with the management of a number of women with gynaecological conditions. As we

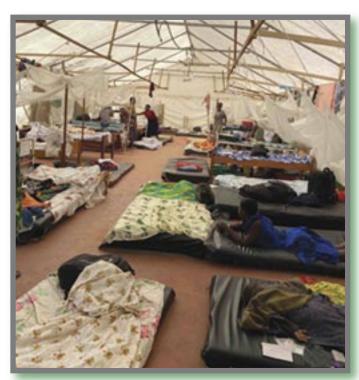


Patients and medical team at Kagando Hospital, Uganda.

have been there several times now, the local practitioners are managing women independently.

#### **UGANDA**

This is the tenth year that Professor Judith Goh has travelled to Kagando Hospital, western Uganda to assist women with childbirth injuries (fistulas, unrepaired perineal injuries) and prolapse, and to conduct workshops or 'camps' to treat the women and to upskill the local practitioners. In October, two surgical



'Tent ward' at Kagando Hospital, Uganda, to accommodate the large number of post-surgical patients.

camps were completed – at Kagando Hospital and St Paul's Health Centre, Kasese town. At Kagando, Ugandan specialists attended the camps.

The MTA team was joined by Dr Geerte, a tropical medicine doctor working in Sierra Leone, for upskilling on the management of obstetric injuries. Mr Darren Diserens also assisted at Kagando. A new member of the team, Dr David Sharp (plastics surgeon), aided in reconstruction of injuries and treated cleft lips and patients with burns/contractures.

At St Paul's Health Centre, team members performed workshops on childbirth injuries, neonatal resuscitation, repair of acute perineal injuries and pelvic organ prolapse management.

#### FINANCIAL RESOURCES

Kagando Hospital services rural low-resource communities with many families/women unable to afford health care. The average income for most families in this rural setting is \$2/day and it costs about \$400 for surgical treatment including transportation and food.

Monies raised by MTA (HADA) are used to provide hospital costs, food, and transportation for the patients. At the October 2019 camps at Kagando Hospital and St Paul's Health Centre, 182 patients were seen at the clinic of whom 135 had operations. MTA provided funds to treat all the patients including transportation for those who did not require surgical management.

~ Professor Judith Goh

# P4K Orphanages Development

### PAPUA NEW GUINEA

NG is a difficult country. Australia's closest neighbour has little in the way of social benefits, a blowout population growth which stretches the minimal resources, and a crumbling infrastructure. We have one doctor per 41,000 people and one policeman for every 10,000. Our population in 1975 was three million and it is now over nine million, speaking 830 languages.

#### THE CHILDREN

I started P4K-PNG three years ago, establishing an orphanage for 26-30 children, left behind by their communities, mostly as a result of HIV. We began with sickly, malnourished children, but today we have healthy, well-mannered children who are learning English and appreciate how

I pay the wages of our ten employees and pay for nearly all other expenses. Unfortunately, I am not a bottomless pit and I can now see the bottom. We have applied for Government funding and I have been assured that we will even-

tually get some, but PNG is suffer-

fortunate they are and are very pleased to be a part of our Haus Pikinini family. Some of our children have lifelong illnesses that are controlled, while most of our TB patients are now cleared.

We include the children of our staff in our activities. We are

THE STAFF

also able to share some of our good fortune (donated goods from overseas) with children in the two neighbouring settlements. Our surplus of books, teaching aids and stationery are shared with our local school, which has virtually nothing in the way of resources.



couple of revenue-raising projects (chickens and fish farming) to help.

I gladly continue to provide

ing the effects of the corruption

that plagues our land. We have a

I gladly continue to provide housing at a nominal rent of \$100 annually for the remaining 17 years of our lease, but we do have a lot of expenses — food, medical, wages, utilities, education, and maintenance. Materially we are in a good position, though financially it is challenging.

We believe that every child should have a warm, clean bed, a right to an education, to be loved and given the guidance they need to make a good life. Education is the only way for them to escape the shackles of poverty.

~ Donna Harvey-Hall



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# Current HADA Projects

All projects listed are approved for tax deductibility



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#### **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 Seed 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]

#### INDIA

## Asha Bhawan Community Building Project

Manager: Keith Bergmeier

 Rescuing men and women from drug and alcohol addiction and seeing them transformed into responsible citizens [IND-050]

#### INDIA

#### Maxton Strong School Kindergarten Upgrade

Manager: Rick Shipway [IND-014] Manager: Clifton Shipway [IND-015]

 Kindergarten Upgrade: to provide suitable education facilities for early learners [IND-019]

#### Maxton Strong School Staff Accommodation

 Building accommodation for school staff [IND-018].

#### **IRAO**

#### 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: Eliety Baptista dos Passos

 Family Development Program [MNG-010]

## Good Neighbour Society — Mobile Drop-In Centre

Manager: Corrie van der Esch [MNG 019]

 Assist homeless people in Ulaan-Baatar [MNG-018]

#### 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**

#### P4K Haus Pikinini Orphanages Development

Manager: Donna Harvey-Hall

Building orphanages to create a positive, loving environment for abandoned and neglected children
[PNG-010]

#### SIERRA LEONE

#### Syke Street School

Manager: Dr Themi Adamopoulo

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

#### **P4KA 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 Secondary School

Manager: Emmanuel Kanuli

 To build classrooms for orphaned/ disadvantaged children [UGA-022]

#### **VANUATU**

#### **Victory School of Hope**

 To build new classrooms for school in Blacksands community [VUT-010]

#### 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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