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A student using the new and improved computer lab.

IBM Water Tower and Computer Room

Ibrahimpatnim SDA English School, also known as IBM, is located 10 miles outside Vijayawada. The school, with over 700 pupils, currently hosts 164 Asian Aid children. IBM School is a traditional boarding school. This school has great potential, and computer education has become more and more mandatory in schools. With the help of our donors, Asian Aid has supplied the school with computers, printers, and furniture.



Another amazing project that was completed this year was the building of a new water tower for the school. IBM has had a water tower on its campus for years. Unfortunately, the original water tower was in a poor location and did not supply sufficient water for the school. With the help of Asian Aid and its donors, the new water tower stands 10 feet taller, feeds multiple water sources, and is fitted with automatic pumps. This addition to the IBM campus encourages continued growth and health for the student body.

Standing at 40 feet tall, the new water tower sits on the NE end of campus, providing water for the entire campus.

Dear supporters,

This year has gone by so fast. It's Christmas time again, and as I look back on 2015, I am so grateful for the blessings of the Lord and the generosity of our donors. We will see growth again this year, and yet the need we face is sometimes over powering. It's my privilege to be able to travel to the countries we operate in and it is just so rewarding to spend time with the children you support. To see a new orphan so excited with their new home and traveling to school on a bus, or the blind child who had no future in a poor village learning braille and being given a future is very satisfying, and I can assure you your funds are well used.

We are sharing three needs with you for our special Christmas Appeal and I hope you can assist us with these needs.

I want to thank you very much for your generous support and wish you a special festive season!





The Asian Aid Board was able to meet this September to help continue Asian Aid's growth and planning. From left to right:

Back row: CEO Jim Rennie, Chairman John Truscott, Sonna Smith, Roger Keaton, Gareth Rees, Gale Wehling, and Dittu Abraham.

Front row: Carl Ginger, Anne Binette, Patty LaVanture, Naomi Davis, and John Casillas.

Can you help?

We are asking if you could share what you know about Asian Aid with the world.

We desperately need sponsors and you are our best Ambassadors.

Please tell others about Asian Aid and if you would like flyers, or other promotional materials, to distribute please contact us.



CEO Jim Rennie sits at the NEW Sunrise playground with student Lakshmi.

To learn a little more about the girl with the smile, read her story on the next page.

New Staffing Appointment

Recently, Nashville businessman John Casillas, joined the Asian Aid USA board. John has started a number of successful companies and is also one of 100 fellows of the World Bank. As well as being a board member, John has also agreed to serve in a part time role as Senior Vice President of Strategic Planning and Development. John is well travelled, and has been to India and Myanmar many times. CEO Jim Rennie commented "We are very excited that John has joined to develop a clear growth strategy".

The Girl with the Smile

Lakshmi Alajangi has just arrived at Sunrise Orphange. Lakshmi lives with her mother and older brother in a government donated, unfinished house. Her father was a hair cutter and daily laborer; however he focused his time on drinking, rather than spending time working and with his family. Sadly, Lakshmi's father died.

Soon after her father died, Lakshmi's mentally ill mother became a beggar. Every day, she used to take the children begging to collect leftover food and rice from door to door. When her mother got sick, four year old Lakshmi used to collect food for breakfast

and lunch for the family from neighbors, then she would eat on the side of the road or under trees. For dinner every day, Lakshmi had to wait for her brother to get food, even if he came home late at night. All of the contaminated food and water led to Lakshmi staying ill a lot of the time. Thankfully, Lakshmi was brought to Sunrise and given medical treatment. As you saw previously, our CEO Jim had the opportunity to meet Lakshmi, saying that her smile and spirit were overflowing!

Lakshmi stands with her brother after coming to Sunrise Home.



This year has proved to be very challenging for **Scheer Memorial** Hospital. In addition to the two major earthquakes that killed over 9,000 and left 500,000 homeless, they are suffering from many shortages as India has imposed a "non-official" border blockade for the past two months, affecting fuel shipments, medical supplies, and transportation.



Scheer Memorial Hospital still stands as a place of hope and refuge to the people of Nepal.

What limited medical supplies that are available, and equipment shipped by truck are stuck at the Indian-Nepali border. Even Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG), used for cooking and heating, is extremely limited. The hospital kitchen switched to open wood fires two weeks ago to cook patient food. Perhaps the biggest challenge related to the fuel shortage is producing electricity for the hospital. Scheer Memorial only has city power for 12 to 16 hours per day; the rest of the time they must rely upon the diesel powered generators to produce electricity for the hospital. Currently there is enough diesel fuel for about two weeks and prayers go out that they can obtain more. Looking at alternative energy solutions will require both time and money.

The reputation in the community as a compassionate, caring hospital continues to grow! Much of this is a direct result of your involvement in supporting our efforts. Thanks to your donations, they have been

able to provide over five million Nepali rupees of free medical care to earthquake victims. However, so much remains to be done to improve the hospital environment and clinical care. Much of the equipment is old and either non-functional or not working as designed. Thanks to your donations, they were finally able to obtain some essential new equipment to help provide much needed care to all of the patients including ECG

physicians and residents from the International Emergency Medicine Fellowship program at Loma Linda University were there doing a clinical rotation at the hospital. Using some of the bedside ultrasound machines purchased with your donations, they were able to quickly triage the patients and determine which injuries required

Despite the many problems, miracles continue to occur on a regular

surgery was performed on a 72-year old woman who lost blood flow

to a large part of her small intestines. Much of her bowel had to be

removed and she was not expected to live. The surgeons prayed in

the operating room and two days later she was sitting up in bed. A

few weeks ago. Scheer received sixteen victims from a mass casualty

basis at Scheer Memorial Hospital. Just last week emergency

bus accident. Fortunately, a group of Emergency Medicine

As you can see, destruction has affected the valley's businesses, homes, and families.

emergency surgery.



machines, bedside ultrasound machines, intravenous infusion pumps, a neonatal ventilator, and an oxygen concentrator. Also, health clinics have been conducted in remote areas of Nepal. While overcoming many difficulties, they saw almost 8,000 patients in these remote field clinics. This fall Scheer Memorial will be partnering with Asian Aid (USA), as well as the Women for Women Foundation (The Netherlands), Centura, and Global Health Initiative (USA), to provide much needed medical services to under-served areas in Nepal.

Thanks to your support, Scheer Memorial Hospital is doing more for the people in Nepal than it has ever done in the past. By supporting better services at the hospital and in the field, you are helping to improve, and in some cases, save the lives of many people you will never meet. May God richly bless you for your philanthropic spirit and concern for the less fortunate.



As we enter into the holiday season, we think of all the things we are blessed with and all the things we will be blessed with in the future. Here is where you can bless the lives of the wonderful children at Asian Aid.

"Where Needed Most Fund"

This Asian Aid fund makes the difference in a child's life. With your investment, you can "Give HOPE Today" to thousands of children.

Managing a program with up to 3,000 children in three countries requires funds for effective management and operating, as well as emergency situations and special needs.

Asian Aid never wants to turn away a child due to lack of resources. Right now, there are over 200 plus unsponsored children waiting for you to help.

We currently have a critical need for this fund in order to continue to run efficiently and meet unexpected special requests and needs. Asian Aid gives HOPE and education, but also introduces these children to Jesus. Your support of this key fund will impact every child, and help Asian Aid grow and Give HOPE to many more!

Immediate Need: \$85,000

Myanmar Sponsorship

The church in Myanmar (previously, and still called by some, "Burma") has requested Asian Aid USA to launch a sponsorship program in the Adventist



schools. Recently, the government has made education free and many children may leave the schools. However, public evangelism is not possible, so the schools play a key role in introducing children to Jesus and the church. In September, the government set a new law in place forcing residents to apply to the government to change their religion or beliefs. This law makes outreach even more possible in the schools.

The church has about 9,000 children in Adventist schools, and these schools are now key to outreach in this country. Asian Aid has taken immediate sponsorship of 650 children to ensure their continued education.

Immediate Need: \$125,000 to sponsor the 650 children for 2016

Sunrise Orphanage Project

Sunrise is located in Andra Pradesh, India. It is an Adventist church orphanage funded 100% by Asian Aid USA. The project commenced five years ago. The home now has all basic buildings complete, and the farm covering eight acres is well established. In 2014, the home was the first Adventist orphanage to gain full government accreditation. This has opened the door to a huge need as the government and other NGOs are bringing children to the home.

SUNRISE ORPHANAGE PROJECT:

The project has two more planned stages:

Stage A: Establishing basic, fully operational home and farm. COMPLETED.

Stage B: Adding educational resources, a vocational training room,

and improvement to the school.

Stage C: Expansion of capacity, minimum 200 children.

Immediate Need: \$172,000 to complete Stage B



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Asian Aid's 3ABN time is every Friday at 8:30pm PT, 9:30pm MT, 10:30pm CT, and 11:30pm ET.

Missed an episode on 3ABN?

Watch them all at your convenience on our website (www.asianaid.org) under "Resources" and then click "Video Library". Don't forget that sponsorship rates increased on July 1, 2015. New rates are:

> Dav: \$25 Boarder+: \$48 Day+: \$32 College: \$65 Boarder: \$38 Nursing: \$90

Please contact us if you have any questions regarding your sponsorship payments.

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Charitable Gift Annuities

Asian Aid has teamed up with the Western Adventist Foundation to make faithful gift planning simple. Western Adventist Foundation on behalf of Asian Aid offers expertise in gift planning from consultation to implementation and management of your gift plan.

The Charitable Gift Annuity (CGA) is a popular way for our donors to provide income to themselves or their loved ones for life as well as to support the ministry of Asian Aid. The Charitable Gift Annuity is a planning tool that, at its heart, recognizes the fact that the rewards of giving begin with the desire to make a gift.

The Gift Annuity marks this decision with two things: the transfer of an asset from the donor(s) to the charity, and the signing of a contract in which the charity agrees to make payments to the donor(s) for life.

In addition to the satisfaction inherent in the act of giving, the CGA adds tangible benefits by providing an attractive income payment, with a significant portion of each payment being income tax free, and an immediate charitable income tax deduction for a portion of the gift. Your annuity payment is determined at the time your gift is

Contact us for information:

Call toll-free 866-569-7933 or email support@asianaid.org to arrange for a professional advisor to contact you.

Charitable Gift Annuities are NOT AVAILABLE in the states of AL, MD and WA. Annuities to benefit Asian Aid for CA and IL residents are provided by the Pacific Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventists; for HI residents they are provided by the HI Conference of Seventh-day Adventists. Annuities to benefit Asian Aid in all other states are provided by the Western Adventist Foundation



THESE CHILDREN URGENTLY NEED YOUR SPONSORSHIP



Gnanavathi's family has one income, her father is a laborer, her mother is a house wife. She studies and sings well, and would like to be a teacher. \$25 Day Student ID: U17493



Helen's mother works in an Adventist school, her father is training to be a pastor, both earn little. Helen is in 7th grade, and wants to become a nurse. \$32 Day+ Student ID: U08792



Rupali's father labors for the only income into the family. Rupali however, is a studious girl and does really well. She would like to become a doctor. \$38 Boarder ID: **U19024**



Elizabeth is from a small. poor village. Her parents and two younger brothers work together on a farm. Flizabeth would like to become a nurse.

\$38 Boarder ID: **U15688**



Kavitha's parents have one income to support three daughters. Kavitha would like to pursue her degree in nursing, and become a doctor. \$65 Tertiary ID: U08492



Abin is a very smart and attentive student. Both his parents are aging so his mother works at home. Abin would like to be an engineer. \$25 Day Student ID: U16885



Pavan's father is an auto driver, however the auto is rented, so it's hard to cover family needs. Pavan likes to study and wants to be a teacher someday. \$32 Dav+ Student ID: U15149



Robin is first in his class! Robin's mother has health issues, so it is difficult for the family to manage. Robin likes cricket and wants to be an engineer. \$38 Boarder ID: U18262



Satish's father died when he was three years old. He lives with his mother and brother, loves to sing and read Bible stories, Satish wants to be a teacher. \$38 Boarder



Pradeep is studying for a business management degree. He likes sport and, when he graduates. Pradeep would like to become a pharmacist. \$65 Tertiary ID: U08314

ID: U17738



Shaizaiman likes reading and dancing. Her father is a fruit vendor, and her mother stays at home to work. Shaizaiman would like to work in a bank. \$25 Day Student ID: U15189



Shrabani comes from a large family. Shrabani loves to read, admires her teacher and she would like to become a teacher when she grows up. \$38 Boarder ID: U18577



Selvi's parents are both illiterate and work at very low income jobs. Selvi is a great student who enjoys talking with friends and studies hard.

\$38 Boarder ID: U17759



Boisnovi's father passed away, she lives with her mother and grandparents. Boisnovi is an obedient. sweet student, and wants to be a teacher someday. \$48 Boarder+ ID: U19041



Prathyusha's parents are both laborers and find it difficult to pay for her **Business Administration** degree studies so she can become an accountant \$90 Tertiary+ ID: U13947



Fllakkuvan's mother is handicapped and unable to work, while his father is a ticket collector. He likes drawing and wants to become an engineer. \$25 Day Student ID: U11233



Sanjit's father is a cultivator and he also likes to dig and grow plants. Sanjit has two sisters and he would like to become a laboratory technician. \$38 Boarder



Sai Kiran's parents are both farmers, and he has one sister. Sai Kiran is a hard worker in school and would like to grow up to be an engineer. \$38 Boarder ID: U18362

ID: U19025



Aiav's father died when he was young, his mother is a house maid. Ajay likes studying as well as playing sports and wants to play cricket professionally. \$48 Boarder+

ID: U15823



Premila's parents are agricultural laborers, and both her elder siblings are nursing program graduates. Premila also wishes to study for a nursing degree \$90 Tertiary+ ID: **U13423**