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## Pastor & Mrs. John Lomacang Visit India

In May, Pastor John Lomacang from 3ABN and his wife Angela visited some of Asian Aid's schools and orphanages in India. Although Pastor Lomacang had visited India before to do evangelism, he wanted to see firsthand the special work Asian Aid is doing for the children and encourage the staff in their efforts. He conducted meetings with the staff in a number of schools and

churches, encouraging them in their Christian walk and life of service and ministry. Asian Aid CEO, Jim Rennie, commented on what a blessing it was that these individuals who had sacrificed much of their lives and energies for God's work could be ministered unto.



"I now know by personal experience that Asian Aid is not just a program, not just a good broadcast, but it is something that is transforming lives."

John Lomacang

Pastor Lomacang said, "We had not been aware of the scope of work that Asian Aid does and its close relationship with the church. We are very impressed with the difference its work is making in the lives of children. We visited three orphanages and it was just so exciting to hear the children sing. We loved the visit to the Blind School and are excited about the role it plays with these very needy children."

Dear Friends,

We have had a number of visitors to India in the last month. Edwin and Jennifer Dysinger from Bountiful Blessings Farm in TN visited Sunrise Home to assist in its agriculture development. Their experience and expertise will help the farm's current production (which you saw in previous newsletters) be more sustainable and effective.

It was also my privilege to escort Pastor John Lomacang from 3ABN and his wife Angela on a visit to our Indian schools. They conducted spiritually uplifting meetings for the staff and joined in the children's activities, singing and telling stories.

In addition to the exciting visits to India, we are thrilled to announce that Asian Aid USA will be supporting an Adventist school located beside Scheer Memorial Hospital in Kathmandu, Nepal.



Above: A rapt audience at the Slum School

Below: Meeting the children at the Blind School



Angela Lomacang brought two suitcases full of clothes and gifts and was surrounded by children wherever she went. Asian Aid is producing a special 30 minute TV program of their visit which should be released sometime next month on 3ABN.

"Our visit has given us an appreciation of the work Asian Aid does and we were very happy to share with the workers and teachers there," said Pastor Lomacang. Asian Aid is thankful for the time given by Pastor and Mrs. Lomacang to visit India and is looking forward to the special TV program which will share their experiences.

We plan to sponsor 60 needy children at this school. However, this is the time of year when we have a greater need for funds in order to operate programs such as these. Please consider how you can support our new school in Nepal or any of our other projects that the Lord puts upon your heart.

Recently we have faced difficult situations with a child drowning at one of our Indian schools and the challenges the church faces in Nepal. But as I travel in India and take time to sit with the children, I realize how the Lord has blessed us and the difference your support has made.

I ask you to remember our ministry in your prayers.



Jim Rennie CEO Asian Aid USA

# Bountiful Blessings at Sunrise

by Edwin Dysinger

*Edwin & Jennifer Dysinger run Bountiful Blessings Farm near Nashville, Tennessee. It is a large, totally organic farm that grows plants and vegetables for sale both through retail outlets and direct sales. Edwin also has served as a missionary helping with agriculture in many countries. Asian Aid is very grateful that the Dysinger family were willing to leave their busy farm and give time in assisting Sunrise's agriculture development.*

We were not acquainted with Asian Aid before they asked us to help at their Sunrise orphanage in Bobbili, India. But from April 7-22 my wife Jennifer, our son Paul, and I took a break from our farming business, Bountiful Blessings Farm, and had the



opportunity to learn much about the work they are doing both there and at other schools in Bobbili. Our accommodations were at the Blind School in Bobbili but we spent the majority of our days at the new Sunrise campus seeing how we could help improve their current farm.

Varma and Lalitha, the directors at Sunrise, in particular have a vision for a more sustainable agriculture operation and their country property that they have recently moved to provides wonderful opportunity for this. Their vision includes providing the best home grown produce to the



fields and visited neighboring farms. We believe with careful management Sunrise can be a model of sustainability for other orphanages and schools.

children, giving them opportunity for useful outdoor labor, and bringing in income for greater self-sufficiency. During our visit we looked over their farm and the various possibilities for developing it. We also helped lay out new

As we visited the Blind School and especially Sunrise orphanage we were very impressed with the dedication of the staff and the quality of work they do. Many of the staff had been sponsored through school by Asian Aid and are now giving back in service. We very much enjoyed interacting with the children and staff at Sunrise and a part of our hearts stayed behind with them.

## Sunrise Boys' Dormitory

Construction is well under way on the last building at the new Sunrise Home. The new boys' dormitory will house the current boys and will provide a home to 40 new homeless children from the surrounding villages. We are excited about the commencement of this building project and are grateful to those who have contributed to Sunrise.

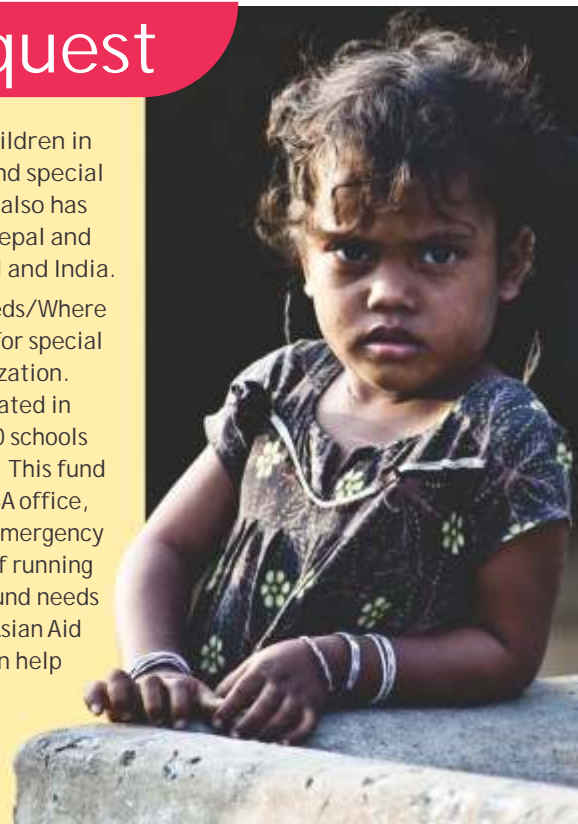
*First layer of cement for footings*



## Special Request

Asian Aid supports over 8,500 children in Adventist schools, orphanages and special schools for the blind and deaf. It also has projects for women's health in Nepal and child protection/slavery in Nepal and India.

Asian Aid operates an "Urgent Needs/Where Needed Most" fund which is used for special needs and operation of the organization. We have a team of Indian staff located in Bangalore India who check the 130 schools where Asian Aid sponsors children. This fund also is used to help operate our USA office, fulfill small special requests and emergency needs, and provide for any costs of running the organization. Right now this fund needs your help. We ask that you uplift Asian Aid in prayer and consider how you can help Asian Aid continue to give hope to children and communities through this fund.





# News from Nepal!



## Slum School Gets a Facelift

Over the last year many donors have given generously to support the Vizak Slum School, a school which provides education in the heart of one of the worst slums to children of local prostitutes and extremely poor, destitute families. Within these last two months

Asian Aid has had a team of workers undertaking a complete remodel of the school. They are being overseen by two American supervisors, John and Wally Marienau.

The principal, Mrs. Naomi Nelson, is extremely excited with the transformation and is grateful to Asian Aid supporters for their

contributions to this unique school. The school will reopen in two weeks and provide an education for up to 100 children, over 50% of which would never have the opportunity of education or Christian influence without this school.

### Major aspects for the remodel:

- Secure the school with grills and new walls: The school building has not been secure and locals have been trespassing the building at night.
- Renovation of classrooms: A total refit of walls and floors with new floor tiles and replastered and painted walls are giving the school bright, clean classrooms.
- Water supply: Water is only available for limited hours each day so a tank system and filter have been developed for clean drinking water.
- Kitchen renovation: The children are fed a daily meal and the kitchen tables, benches and floor have been totally renovated.
- Additional space: By moving walls some additional classroom space has been gained.



## Scheer Memorial Hospital

Asian Aid has signed another contract with Scheer Memorial Hospital to do field visits to find women in Nepali villages requiring uterine prolapse treatment. They plan to provide operations, follow up, and a new life of hope to over 50 women. "These women are in desperate need of help," says Jim Rennie, "and this partnership with Scheer Memorial Hospital reaches out into the poorer areas and gives these women hope. Their lives change!"



## New Asian Aid School

Asian Aid has given approval to Esa Memorial School, an Adventist school located on the campus of Scheer Memorial Hospital in Kathmandu Nepal, to take 60 new students for Asian Aid sponsorship. Well-staffed and meeting government standards, this school is surrounded by a needy community with many children from poor families.

Jim Rennie says, "We are very excited to be linked to this school at Scheer Memorial Hospital and to help give these special children an education."

If you would like to sponsor one of these children in our new Nepal school, please contact us.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

3ABN Broadcasting Times: Asian Aid has begun its new 30-minute series on 3ABN. For those of you who have enjoyed watching the *Hope in Motion* episodes every Friday evening, you definitely don't want to miss these brand new stories of how God has been working through Asian Aid's ministry this last year. Asian Aid continues to air on Fridays at 4:30 PST, 5:30 MST, 6:30 CST, and 7:30 EST.

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Michigan, June 14-22

Texico, June 20-22

S. New England, June 21-29

National ASI - Orlando FL, Aug 7-10

Soquel, July 11-20

Oklahoma, July 12-20

Oregon, July 16-20

Redwood, July 18-27

Lake Tahoe, July 29-Aug 3

## 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 made and will not fluctuate with the market.

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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



Asha helps her mother cleaning and taking care of her brother. She is in 9th grade and likes reading books and collecting stamps.  
\$23 Day Student  
ID: U14451



Tulasi was six months old when her father deserted their family. Two years ago her mother died. Now Tulasi's grandparents take care of her.  
\$23 Day Student  
ID: U16468



Deena is in 8th grade and likes singing. She has a younger sister that also attends the Adventist school.  
\$23 Day Student  
ID: U14430



Rupesh's father is a coolie and travels a lot looking for work. Rupesh is quiet in nature and likes mangos, pineapples, and playing outdoors.  
\$23 Day Student  
ID: U15648



Vasanth's father works as a painter and his mother works hard as a maid. Vasanth is smart and completes his homework well.  
\$23 Day Student  
ID: U15649



Abiram is in Upper Kindergarten this year and has one brother. He is a smart boy and likes to study.  
\$30 Day+ Student  
ID: U15824



Pooja's father works as a day laborer driving a rickshaw. She has one brother and they live in a small hut.  
\$30 Day+ Student  
ID: U10459



Khushbu is from a village surrounded by forests and mountains. They drink from the stream and cut wood to sell in the local market.  
\$30 Day+ Student  
ID: U11117



Vidya's family are faithful church members. Vidya is in 9th grade this year and likes to read and color.  
\$30 Day+ Student  
ID: U08719



Hemath lost his father in March 2011. His mother is illiterate and works as a maid. His elderly grandparents help to support them.  
\$30 Day+ Student  
ID: U13166



Ety comes from central Bangladesh and lives in a house built of mud. She likes music and playing chess. Her would like to become a teacher.  
\$35 Boarder  
ID: U14951



Nirmala is in 7th grade this year at Vempalli school. Her father is a coolie and her mother is a housewife. She has two siblings.  
\$35 Boarder  
ID: U15365



Priyanka's mother was baptized two years ago, but her father is Christian but not an SDA. Priyanka is calm, quiet, and in 11th grade.  
\$35 Boarder  
ID: U01614



Abramma lives in a one room hut with her parents, and two sisters. She likes drawing and coloring and would like to become a teacher.  
\$35 Boarder  
ID: U15520



Preethi's father died and her mother sews sarees. Preethi is an excellent student and would like to become a math teacher.  
\$35 Boarder  
ID: U08658



Ramthang goes to school in Bangladesh. He likes studying English, playing football, and listening to music. He would like to become a teacher.  
\$35 Boarder  
ID: U14939



Jeevan's father is an auto driver but spends much of his income to rent the auto. He also has to support the grandparents.  
\$35 Boarder  
ID: U15341



India's family live with relatives in the slum. His father is sickly. India is in 2nd grade this year at Vempalli school.  
\$35 Boarder  
ID: U15451



Sukanto lives in a small village by a stream. During the rainy season it floods and destroys people's crops and livelihood.  
\$35 Boarder  
ID: U15689



Manohar is the youngest of three brothers. His mother has three water buffalos and sells their milk for a small income. Manohar is very bright.  
\$35 Boarder  
ID: U14889