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His Hands Support Ministries

His Hands for Indonesia team visits The Lion King

Personal note from the new Coordinator

Hello sponsors and friends!

Before we launch into our newsletter I wanted to let you know about some changes that have taken place within the administration of His Hands Support Ministries. Due to the fact that my husband, Philip, and I have had to take over the full-time care of both of our elderly mothers (both of whom have mild to moderate dementia) we have had to uproot ourselves and move to central Florida to live with both of them. With this necessary change in our personal circumstances, I have had to relinquish many of my previous responsibilities in the ministry which are now being handled by other, very capable volunteers and board members and I have now become the official coordinator of the Indonesia program. This role is a smaller role than I had played previously in the Haiti program and it will be much easier for me to maintain the work load of the Indonesia program even while caring for our mothers. The blessing for me personally is that the Indonesia program is especially near and dear to my heart and I am thankful for this change in my responsibilities within the ministry. I look forward to serving in this role for as long as God will allow. ~ Jamie Charles

Changes to the Correspondence instructions

You may notice that the children's information sheets now ask sponsors to refrain from sending any packages to Bali. Unfortunately the mail system is not at all reliable and our partners have told us that packages will surely not arrive or, if a miracle happens and they get through, there will be hefty customs fees our partners would have to pay to claim the packages. So we have changed the correspondence instructions to reflect this change. However, when I spoke with Marinka about providing an alternative to sending packages, she said it would be fine for sponsors to send an extra financial gift to His Hands, along with instructions concerning who the gift is for and what the sponsor would like our partners to purchase for their sponsored

News from The Lion King

Since our last visit, 10 children have left the orphanage, some of whom have graduated from university, have joined the workforce, and are out on their own. Nine new children have come in to take their places including the youngest child of house parents, Charles and Ayu, who has officially joined the sponsorship program. So there are still 30 children in the home, including two who are in the process of moving in full-time. When I asked Marinka about the financial situation of the home, she mentioned that their original goal was to have 40 children in the home but as of right now they are experiencing a small short-fall in their current budget trying to support just 30 children. She said if they wanted to add 10 more they would need an additional \$20,000 US dollars per year to cover the additional expense of 10 more children. What a blessing it would be to 10 more needy children to be able to join this wonderful family so will you join us in praying that God would provide the necessary support so more children could be helped?



Ferry completed his medical training and has joined the workforce



Sani is one of the newest members of The Lion King family

child, and they will purchase the item(s) locally and give them to the child. It is also possible for them to take photos when the child receives the gift(s). So if this is something you would be interested in doing, please contact us to work out the details.

Highlights:

- Four member team visits The Lion King
- First-time visit for three of the four team members
- 29 children processed for the His Hands for Indonesia Sponsorship Program
- Nine new children added to the program
- Widow's Home visited

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Report on the Widow's Home

The roof on the Widow's Home was recently repaired so the necessary renovations can take place inside the home itself. There are currently only three ladies living in the Widow's Home because the home needs renovation before they can add more residents. The kitchen is in dire need of an upgrade as are the bathrooms. All the rooms need paint and various other issues must be addressed. Will you join us in praying for funds for these renovations so more elderly ladies can receive the end-of-life care they need?



Kevin being measured for the sponsorship program

“And without faith it is impossible to please God, for whoever would draw near to God must believe He exists and He rewards those who seek Him.” Hebrews 11:6



Team member Lorna Faircloth enjoying fresh coconut water



The Widow's Home

Team reflections

Just a few short days ago our Indonesia team returned from their visit to The Lion King orphanage in Singaraja, Bali, Indonesia. The visit was a blessing for the whole 4-member team, three of whom made the visit to The Lion King for the first time. This was my fourth visit to The Lion King - a place that has become very special to me over the years. It was a bit of a shock to see how much some of the children had grown since our last visit almost 2 years ago and it was this shock that brought me to the conclusion that we must not let close to 2

years pass before we visit these precious children again. I hope to be able to return to Bali in the late spring of 2018. ~ Jamie Charles



My initial response arriving in Bali was one of total awe. The beauty of this country is truly indescribable...it made me wonder if such beauty exists on Earth can you even imagine Heaven will be like? Although bright and beautiful its appearance may be, Bali is home to some very deep and dark spiritual forces and demonic strongholds. The people are enslaved to a superstitious and ritualistic religion that promises nothing but empty hope. The absolute highlight of my visit



was the nightly family devotional time we were invited to be a part of...led solely by the children! I was moved to tears at the faith these children possessed in light of being raised in the midst of a culture saturated in Hinduism. They cried out Jesus' name with outstretched arms as they sang. Joy and peace were evident in their worship. What an amazing experience. ~ Sarah Cotnoir



One of the ladies in The Widow's Home

Bali is a beautiful island and an incredible change from where we live in the States. The lushness, the flowers, the dolphins, all just blew me away! Coming from a very cold Maine in January, I felt like I was in Paradise! Meeting the family of children and caregivers at the Lion King Orphanage was icing on the cake. The love for the children was obvious. They are well cared for and appeared happy. Watching them worshipping during the devotions in the evening was a huge gift to me. Living in a very Hindu world, it is great to see them loving the one true God! ~ Marilee Colpitts



Years ago Frankie and Marinka started this home for street children, to keep them from abuse and trafficking and to get them back into school. Today there are 30 children living here attending school and University, and helping out around the orphanage. It's one big loving family with house parents who tend to their needs. Something I learned that I love - the children are encouraged to have relationships with family members they have and visit with them during school breaks. Also the kids tutor each other, learn music, and even lead worship! Though I don't know the language I felt the Holy Spirit moving through the service! God is working through these children in so many ways. Please pray for the children, their house parents, Frankie & Marinka, and their service to the Lord! ~ Lorna Faircloth