



Field News – Nov & Dec 2004

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Chandy & Mariaama

Chandy and Mariamma's visit to Kabul after 24 years for a week from the 16th November 2004 with Dr. James Thomas, cardiac surgeon. This will strengthen the present activities of WIN and Hope Hospital. It will also enhance future plans to hold heart camps and to help heart patients to be brought to India for surgeries and treatment.

One young widow "Nasreen" has been identified for open heart surgery to save her life. She is the mother of 3 children all under the age of five years. Earnest prayers and generous financial donations are required for the accomplishment of the above projects.



Mariaama & Nasreen

In 2004—at a glance

- Village Road repair
- 12 eye camps conducted
- 135 cataract operations
- Three outings with the boys
- One cow & calf
- Two public functions with villagers participation
- 3 CCOT programmes

Christmas & New Year Celebration

Christmas 2004 and New Year 2005 was jointly celebrated on 2nd January at Ashray Bhavan. This was organized as desired by some local Govt. officials, NGO's and village leaders who attended the Christmas celebration of 2003 where in Mr. L.S.M. Salins, Divisional Commissioner gave the Christmas message. Mr. Salins is a respected and widely recognized Christian leader in the

Christmas & New Year Celebration— Contd

bureaucratic circles. Rev. Devender Varma, the Chairman of SPIN and Pastor of Delhi Bible Fellowship gave the message. The DBF Church choir and Ashray Bhavan boys sang Hindi and English Christmas carols. It was a good occasion to share the “Good News” to such a gathering from diverse backgrounds. The Government officials highly appreciated the work Ashray Bhavan is doing and promised to render all moral support. The Secretary of Red Cross, Faridabad promised to donate a bicycle to Ashray Bhavan.

Jamal & the Boys



Tsunami and Our support

Five minutes of silence was observed to remember the Tsunami victims at the start of the meeting. A suggestion came from the local Govt. office to accept some orphan boys from the Tsunami affected areas. The Board considered the seriousness of the matter and decided to accept five orphan boys. A letter was sent to the Relief Commissioner, Tsunami Relief operations channeled through the Deputy Commissioner, Faridabad for further directions in the matter.

Additional Land Development

Ron & Nancy at Ashray Bhavan



A tube well has been installed in the land adjacent to Ashray Bhavan. We were able to buy this piece of land with the help of grants received from donors. The irrigated land would be used for growing grass and fodder for the cow. We are in the process of preparing a budget to buy more land that is available to build a Vocational Training unit for the boys in AB and also to train some youths from the surrounding villages and begin some income generating programmes for this project to be self sustainable.

Children`s Update & Village Outreach

Children`s Update

All 26 boys are doing well academically and growing in the Lord. Five of them are preparing for Board Examination in the 5th, 8th and 9th grades to be held in April. 05. The half yearly exams began from the 2nd week of December. Results are awaited. The Lord has graciously provided all the needs of the home bountifully this far. Five orphans boys are expected from Tsunami affected areas very soon. Preparations are to be made for their equipping for education and career.

Collective
Birthday
Party



Village Outreach

Blankets were distributed on the 26th of December to elderly men and women through the village Headman and other village elders. We are planning to organize regular medical assistance programmes in addition to the regular eye camps in a small scale in the beginning to the people in the surrounding villages through partnership with another NGO for which a dialogue has been initiated.



EYE CAMP IN
PROGRESS

Boyz News

- All the 26 are studying and doing well in class.
- Suraj our youngest one is just 6 years and Oldest if Azizul is 16 years old
- We have recently installed a Jungle Gym and Parallel bars for the boys to play and exercise.
- All children received a new set of school uniform for this season.
- Medical Insurance of all the boys was renewed.
- Ranjan from Orissa is being treated for skin infection
- We also had a an attack of Mumps
- One of our boys Babu joined NCC
- Azizul competed at the district level games and represented the school.
- Older boys have been given larger bunk beds
- Older boys have been assigned smaller boys as buddies for assistance, this system seems to be working well.

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For Praise & Thanks Giving

1. Praise God for Chandy and Mariamma's visit to Kabul after 24 years. Praise God all that has been accomplished and for the people that they met there.
2. Praise God for the Annual Christmas and New Year gathering at Ashray Bhavan and for the message that was shared.
3. Praise God for the newly installed Tube well in the land lying adjacent to AB that was purchased recently. We were able to sow seeds for growing fodder for the cow at Ashray Bhavan.
4. Praise God for the boys at Ashray Bhavan and the exams that went well.
5. Praise God all providing all our needs in a miraculous way in 2004.
6. Praise God for all who generously gave towards the ministries of SPIN in 2004.
7. Praise God for the seekers and believers that gather at the SPIN centre in Delhi week after week.
8. Praise God for restoring Dr. Siddiqui. He was almost sinking in early December. He is under Radiotherapy and Chemotherapy for cancer that has spread to his lungs. He is still very weak.

Cow & Calf



For Prayer

1. Pray for Nasreen in Kabul who needs an immediate heart surgery to restore the condition of her heart. Pray for the many people who would be approached for financial help in this matter.

2. Pray for Dr. Siddiqui. The cancer has spread to his lungs. His wife and four children are very worried. They need prayers and encouragement.

3. Pray for all the boys in Ashray Bhavan, the winter is severe. Pray for protection from sickness and ill health.

4. Pray for the letter that has gone to the Tsunami Relief Commissioner in Chennai, that he will react positively.

5. Pray for the growing financial needs in Ashray Bhavan projects.

