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The July 21 Urgent Appeal For Madagascar - News And Successes



Help starts with measurement and assessment for immediate needs



A grateful mother receiving food and oil to sustain her family

"Misaotra Anao" ... Two Malagasy words that speak volumes.

Volumes of humble gratitude from famine afflicted families in the south who are surviving 'now' because of YOUR compassion, and who are hopeful for the future as well, because YOUR provision is not just for 'now' but also for 'then' as well.

Thank you for your generous response to our Urgent Appeal. Here's one tiny insight into the good that has flowed from your kindness and generosity.

• 16 children with moderate and severe acute malnutrition - 100% recovery rate at day 60 of treatment.

Let me say that another way. You have helped to save the lives of these 16 children.



Others wait...



Ambovombe - Severe drought has dried this and many other riverbeds and farmland.

Together with our in-country partners we have reached 41 villages with foods, oil, essential nutrient RUTF pouches, medical help and survival health training.

When this hunger emergency eventually starts to ease, support for longer-term recovery and resilience will be crucial. This is the 'then' I mentioned above. It will include focus on developing and increasing livelihood programs, enabling people in food-insecure communities to increase their longer-term recovery and resilience.

Programs such as honey harvest (bee keeping), marine harvest (fish farming), embroidery making, and reed weaving are just some of the ways we will equip more communities with resilience in the face of a changing climate. This will also include our Life Skills course as well.

But this is still 'now'. Please have a look at the enclosed No. 2 Urgent Appeal, search your heart for kindness and compassion once again and join those reaching out across world to 'feed the hungry'.

A deeply heartfelt 'thank you,' or as they say in Madagascar - "Misaotra Anao".



'THEN'- finding new ways for sustainability

LE TRIOMPHE ORPHANAGE

(near the capital of Madagascar)



"THE CHILDREN ARE VERY HAPPY AND THANKFUL"

- Madame Eliezera, Founder & Director, Le Triomphe

This year The Mission House has provided new bunk beds, new mattresses and most recently warm winter blankets (see above) for the children.

Although Madagascar has a sub-tropical climate many people don't realise that it can get very cold at night in the central highlands — which is where the capital and Le Triomphe are located.

Providing warmth at night for these children is another pracwtical way we have helped those in need.

And it happened because you, our loyal supporters, made it possible. "Thank you."

Looking ahead, in January, covid restriction permitting we will be surveying the orphanage buildings with the intention of providing sufficient solar power to provide lights, a tv point a radio point and an internet hub. Would you like to support this?



New Skills Transform Lives In India



"Millions of women are searching for a way they can earn an income for their families.

Lakshmi's financial hardships led her to ask God to provide a way for her to earn additional income. She saw His answer and joined a six month training course where she learned new tailoring skills, how to take measurements properly and sew different stitches.

Now running a tailoring shop from home, she can sew from the safety of her home while watching over her children". Elisha (Light Society, Golanapalli - TMH local partner)

More news from Madagascar

The BIG news is that our first Life Skills course in Antananarivo (the capital) is planned to start in February. We have a course leader in preparation with years of teaching and discipling experience and the local Mayor is making classroom space for us in a local authority building. Obviously, there will be big challenges to be addressed to ensure everything is kept on track but this is just the first of many exciting developments for 2022. Meanwhile we have three Life Skills courses running in Fort Dauphin for an international aid organisation who want their people to go through our course.

Earlier this year we added 'Meeting your Creator' as a voluntary session to our Life Skills Course. The take up has been encouraging with most participants wanting to know more and some committing to a new way of thinking...

In the last Newsletter we asked you to pray for our Academy Director's wife Sitraka who had anaemia and a developing growth in her neck. We assisted with her airfares to the capital where she was able to receive treatments which seem to have corrected the problems and now she is home again looking after her family and back leading some of the Life Skills sessions.

It would be a good thing to share your enthusiasm for The Mission House and our work of providing help and hope. Just think of one person to pass this newsletter on to (a friend, a family member, a work colleague, a Pastor). They might catch the vision and want to know more?... Encourage them to check out our website. There they can sign up for future Newsletters.