

Bangla Hope



Bangladesh Christian School Sponsorship America Newsletter

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UPDATE FROM DAVE AND BEVERLY IN BANGLADESH

Receiving Center: This is a high priority for us. We want a place where “throw-away” babies can be cared for and loved. When we arrived in Bangladesh in October, we started looking for a building. Forget the help of a real estate agent—we were on our own. Two of our students and I (Beverly) began looking in the Utarra area. It is a short distance from Dhaka and close to the airport. Land is limited, so buildings are built close together. I can stand between two and touch both with my hands. Because of the humidity, paint deteriorates within a year. The sewer still runs down each side of the road so the smells are disgusting, but this area is nicer than most areas in Dhaka.

Our instructions led our driver from one narrow street to the next. Each time we saw a rental sign—“to-let”—we stopped to look, but the buildings were not adequate for our needs. After a full day of looking, we found one that was large enough and was even clean. We were ecstatic, but after days of negotiating a price, we concluded God must have something else in mind because the price was too high for what they had to offer.

Back to the streets--my companions gave up, but I knew God had just the right place for the children. Three days later, I saw a house that might work. It was difficult to see past the filth. Previous student renters did not take care of the house. The Muslim owners were wonderful to work with. They have been cleaning everything until it sparkles. The

first two floors are for the receiving center; the third floor for Simson Biswas, our director, and a guest room; and the fourth floor is for our office and guests rooms.

We are in the process of moving, and it is beginning to look

like a home, a haven for unwanted babies. We are thrilled and thankful the Lord helped us find and rent space for the little ones. The babies will be coming soon.

Those who sponsor these babies will receive a picture and case history of their baby. Yearly updates will be mailed so you can see the growth.

Tsunami: As the news of the last earthquake hit the press, we realized this must be one of the signs of the soon coming of Jesus! Our hearts go out to all those left to carry on with their lives as best they can. Bangladesh has some damage from this devastating storm but not like other countries. We have no reports of loss of life or property at our schools and orphanages.

Flooding: The Bengali people are still recovering from loss of rice and vegetable crops from the severe flooding in Summer, 2004. Many homes were lost in the rain, and we see little rounded huts made of plastic around the outskirts of Dhaka which the people crawl into at night. Many have come from outlying villages to find work so they can feed their families. The desperation often leads to theft. Water pipes and other removable items have been stolen from some of the schools. In our little apartment, window screens were slashed so reachable objects could be stolen and sold. We feel great pity for these people. A BIG thank you to those who sent money to help with food shortages.

Village Schools: Presently we are sponsoring fifty-two village schools. The students who attend these sponsored schools receive books, tuition, uniform, supplies, and one warm, nutritious meal each school day. In a country where many survive on one meal daily, absenteeism is cut significantly. The family is not forced to decide, “Do we send our child to school with no food or do we take him to the field to work so we can have food?” If we feed the children, they come to school. If they come to school, they will learn about Jesus. Those who sponsor these schools and students make a significant difference.



Retired Pastors: Our college in Bangladesh is requesting help in their Theology Department. Retired pastors are needed to volunteer for a year and teach Bible and Spirit of Prophecy. The school will provide housing for you and your family. This is an opportunity to see and experience a third-world country and be a blessing to many young people. Call our office for more information if you are interested.

New Orphanage and Receiving Center

I would like to donate and help with:

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| <p>1. Sponsorship of Orphan</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Full Sponsorship (\$100 monthly) \$ _____</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Co-Sponsorship (\$35 monthly) \$ _____</p> <p>2. Furniture</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Cribs (\$50) \$ _____</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Little beds (\$75) \$ _____</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Dressers (\$150) \$ _____</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Changing table (\$50) \$ _____</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Storage cupboards (\$125) \$ _____</p> <p>3. Bedding</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Mattresses (\$30) \$ _____</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Bed sheets (\$15) \$ _____</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Rubber sheets (\$10) \$ _____</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Blankets (\$10) \$ _____</p> <p>4. Appliances</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Stove (\$600) \$ _____</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Refrigerator (\$1,000) \$ _____</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Microwave (\$300) \$ _____</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Water Filter (\$300) \$ _____</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Blender (\$50) \$ _____</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Toaster (\$50) \$ _____</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Washer & Dryer (\$700) \$ _____</p> | <p>5. Kitchen Equipment</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Kettles (\$100) \$ _____</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Dishes (\$500) \$ _____</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Flatware (\$200) \$ _____</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Misc. tools (\$500) \$ _____</p> <p>6. Food and Formula \$ _____</p> <p>7. Misc. Supplies</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Cloth diapers \$ _____</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Baby clothes \$ _____</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Bottles \$ _____</p> <p>8. Medical Needs \$ _____</p> <p>9. Rental of Facility \$ _____</p> <p>10. Monthly commitment for operating expenses \$ _____</p> |
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Additional Needs

- () Village School Students (No personal information) \$10 monthly or \$100 yearly
- () Total Village School Sponsorship (With updates and photos of school)
- () 5 students . . . \$500 yearly () 10 students . . . \$1000 yearly () 20 students . . . \$2000 yearly
- () 30 students . . . \$3000 yearly () 40 students . . . \$4000 yearly

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ City/State/Zip _____

I would like to donate using my credit card:

Name on card _____ Type of card _____

Number _____ Expiration date _____

Total Amount \$ _____ (Circle One) Monthly Quarterly Yearly One-Time Only

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