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Oriental Pearl Restaurant Bukit Kiara Equestrian & Country Resort, Kuala Lumpur

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17 July 2004

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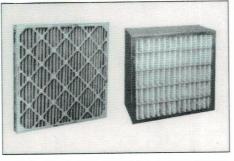
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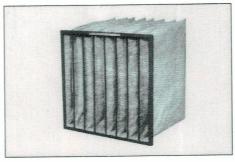
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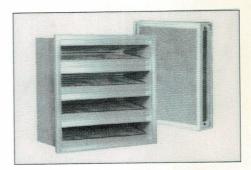




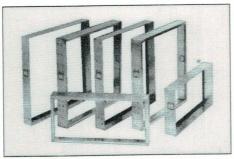
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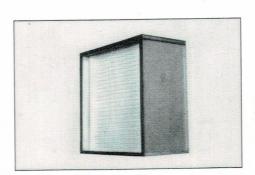
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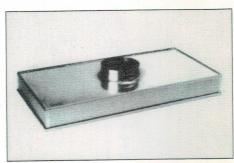
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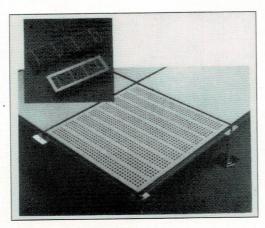
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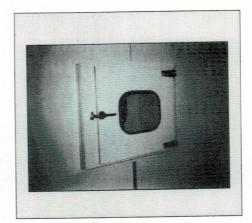
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# PROGRAMME DETAILS

6.45pm	Arrival of guests/door gifts
7.00pm	Opening prayer Praise & Worship – Frank Morais
7.15pm	Welcome speech - Lana
7.25pm	LCD presentation
7.35pm	Song presentation by the Hymnsmen
7.45pm	Message & pledge challenge by Rev. Raymond Mooi
8.oopm	Collection of response slip
8.15pm	Dinner
8.50pm	Testimony I
9.oopm	Song presentation by the Hymnsmen
9.10pm	Testimony II
9.20pm	Lucky draws
9.45pm	Benediction

# MESSAGE FROM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Greetings in the matchless name of our Lord Jesus!

On behalf of CREST, we welcome you to our 5th Anniversary Fund-Raising Dinner. We are honored by your presence and trust that you will be blessed by the truth of God's love told to you through music, LCD presentation, testimony and the message.

As we recount God's goodness to us, we are acutely conscious of the fact that we are living in perilous time. The 21st century presented terrible images of tall twin towers tumbling down in infernal smoke, international terrorism, and unknown virus in addition to increasing natural and man-made calamities. In a world of growing suspicion, panic and hostility between nations, acts of mercy and humanitarian work have become more complex. How then do we position ourselves to be channels of blessing in a world of despair and hopelessness?

Every crisis is an opportunity for good. Moses performed great supernatural acts over the skies, viruses, plagues and deaths. He was an instrument of divine power. The same I AM wants to use us to bring LOVE to a hurting humanity. We can impact the nations and influence the generations. We can pray and we can go. We can give and our finances can oil the machinery of mercy and love.

An old man in Pakistan with grateful tears rolling down his cheeks thanked the Malaysians for bringing them food in their time of need. His village had been inundated by a tidal flood. A father brought his malnourished infant to us for milk and medication. His mother had perished in the flood. The baby had diarrhoea and was dehydrated.

With your support, the desolate Karen refugees of Myanmar and the deprived children of Bangladesh can have a future with education, healthcare and shelter.

We want to thank each and every one of you for being here with us. Our mission to be the 'hands and feet of Jesus' is made possible because of your keen interest in the outreaches, your investment in things of eternal worth and partnership to make a difference in lives. What you have done to the least of these brethren you have done it for the King.

A tiny snowflake can do nothing by itself but the combination of the tiny snowflakes can cause an avalanche. It is a force to be reckoned with. Let's join hands in unity to reach out to the forsaken, neglected, lost and hopeless.

YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

Until He comes. Lana Wong

"We may not do Great things but we can do little things with Great love"
- Mother Theresa

"People do not care how much you know, They want to know how much you care." CELEBRATION

# **WHO WE ARE**

Crisis Relief Services & Training (CREST) is a non-profit Christian humanitarian organization. It is made up of Christians who share a desire to reach the poor and needy, refugees and disaster victims with the love of God demonstrated in practical ways such as providing food, clothing, shelter, medicines, basic health care and trauma counseling.

# **Our Vision**

Teams of volunteers armed with multi-disciplinary skills and God's love reaching the most desperate and needy people in the world.

Our vision is to have teams of volunteers on stand-by ready to respond to crises and disasters within the 10/40 Window. The teams will be deployed on relief mission trips of short duration for 1-2 weeks each time. The goal is to harness the spiritual and also the natural and secular skills of Christians.

God has called CREST to be an "End-Time Signs and Wonders Disaster Relief Team"

### **Our Mission**

- 1. To train and equip the churches in relief work.
- 2. To invest in the children, the next generation of leaders.
- To build bridges into the nations by providing crisis relief, i.e food, medicine, shelter, clothing, etc... to the poor and needy, refugees and disaster victims.

# **Why Crisis Relief**

### 1. Crisis relief as part of the End Time ministry.

In Matt.24:7-8 and Luke 21:10-11, Jesus spoke of a time when there will be unprecedented wars, famines, earthquakes, plagues in various places on the earth. He called it the beginning of birth pains.

In recent years, signs are showing that the words of Jesus are coming to pass before our eyes. Statistics have shown a sharp increase in the number of natural disasters and Complex Humanitarian Emergencies worldwide. Natural disasters such as floods, earthquakes, droughts, famine etc. are increasing at an alarming rate and occurring with greater intensity. Complex humanitarian emergencies such as wars, political conflicts, civil/ethnic strife and genocide continue to increase the population of helpless refugees and internally displaced people, many of them children and women.

Research and statistics also show that disasters and crises are increasing among the world's most unreached, poorest and least developed nations. They have affected the lives of millions of people, causing untold misery and sufferings.

Based on the above, disasters are unavoidable and the church must respond to the needs that arise from these calamities.

If these needs are not met, greater issues such as hunger, diseases, lack of clean water and sanitation can lead to an even greater humanitarian crisis resulting in even greater loss of lives.

# 2. Crisis opens doors of opportunity.

Crisis allows us to build bridges to the nations and the unreached people groups through relief work thus opening doors for the Good News and opportunity to demonstrate the love of God.

Jesus calls us to let our light shine before men that they may see our good works and give thanks to God. Matt.5:16

We are to go with His compassion, to be His hands and His feet, to comfort those who mourn, to bind up the brokenhearted, to bestow on them a crown of beauty instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning and a garment of praise instead of a spirit of heaviness. **Isa.61** 

Jesus identified with the poor, weak and oppressed. He said, 'I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, ...I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did it for me.." Matt.25

# WHO WE ARE

# **How We Began**

In 1995 during the height of the Rwanda crisis, 2 American medical missionaries, Drs. Mark & Betsy Neuenschwander from International Health Services Foundation based in Colorado Springs, USA received a



Drs. Mark & Betsy Neuenschwander

vision from the Lord to raise up an international signs and wonders disaster relief team. One of the first countries they visited at the Lord's leading was Malaysia. A small group received training from the Neuenschwanders and their American teams in 3 consecutive Disaster Relief Schools (DRS) in 1995, 1996 and 1997.

Out of these DRS, a group of graduates from different denominations were challenged. They sensed God's call to start a prayer beachhead. In February 1997, they met weekly to worship and pray together for the establishment of a disaster relief organization in Malaysia to focus on the 10/40 window, especially on Asia. On 3rd December 1998, CREST was birthed and registered as a public company limited by guarantee, not having a share capital.

### **CRISIS RELIEF SCHOOL**

DRS has now been renamed CRISIS RELIEF SCHOOL (CRS). The objective of the school is to impart vision and to train and equip Christians to be involved in crisis relief mission. Since 1999, CREST has conducted several training schools. Training modules in our school include:

- Biblical perspective of disasters
- Core values in crisis response

- Crisis response in earthquakes, hurricanes, floods, famines
- God's heart for the poor & needy
- Crisis response planning operations
- Logistics (Procurement, warehousing, transportation, distribution)
- Incident command systems
- Teamwork dynamics
- The Church in Society and Community Transformation
- · Base camp set-up
- Ministering to the traumatized, PTSD, critical incident stress debriefing
- · First responders, triage & first aid
- · Water & mountain rescue
- · Engineering in relief work
- Field medicine, tropical medicine, confined space medicine
- · Cross-cultural communications
- · Children in crisis
- The power of praise & worship
- Intercession & spiritual warfare

### **FUNDING**

CREST is a non-profit organization where funds for operations and projects come entirely from the contribution of individuals and organisations. Our funds are managed in the account of Crisis Relief Services & Training Berhad, a company limited by guarantee, ie. a company constituted under the Companies Act 1965 for the establishment and operation of non-profit institutions and charitable foundations.

All donations to CREST are duly receipted and accounted. Its accounts are audited annually and open for inspection.

When making cheque or draft payment, please make payable to "Crisis Relief Services & Training Berhad" and indicate at the back of the cheque the area of needs you are giving towards. We appreciate your generosity and partnership with us for the work we are doing. Thousands of the poor and needy have received love and help because of your prayer and monetary support.

# **PARTNERSHIPS**

CREST hopes to serve and partner with churches:

- In imparting vision and training so that many Christians and churches can participate together in relief missions
- So that crisis relief may be incorporated into their missions programme

# **Individuals**

(contributing time & skills for short-duration missions in crisis relief teams, in addition to prayer, financial and other support)

# Churches In Host Country

(Providing support in prayer, manpower, follow-up, etc..)

# Missions through crisis relief

# Corporate Bodies

(providing supplies & financial support)

# **CREST**

(providing training, mobilising teams and coordination support)

# Churches

(providing support in prayer, finances, manpower, supplies and adopting specific countries / regions)

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# THE POOR & NEEDY: OUR RESPONSIBILITY

What is the responsibility of Christians and the Church with regard to the poor and needy? Why should I be responsible?

To some Christians and churches, helping the poor and needy may not be their priority or they don't see any need in doing this ministry. Some responses I received



were, "This is not our ministry." "This is not the area we would like to get involved in". Others are worried about the "bottomless pit" or the "black hole" syndrome. — 'I am just one person" or "We are just a small church". The need is just too great. Regardless of how much resources we put in, it is not enough and will never be enough. If that is the case, what difference can I make?" When it comes to helping the poor & needy, does the church really have a choice?

### Who are these POOR AND NEEDY?

The category of poor I am describing are those who are the weak and defenseless, the exploited, the immigrants, refugees, orphans, elderly, handicapped, minorities, etc. They are usually the victims of manmade or natural disasters (e.g. war, poor implementation, policies, earthquakes, flood and famine).

### What is GOD'S PERSPECTIVE?

From the verses in Deut 15:7; Deut 15:11 and Deut 24:19, we can see God's heart for the poor and needy. As the poor and needy will always exist in the land, God commanded His people Israelites to open their hands wide to help them.

In Deut 24:19, God made provision whereby the poor could survive in the land. In Deut 26:12 we can see that God made further provision in tithing to help the poor and needy. Tithing is for the Levites (full-time workers), and to help strangers (refugees, immigrants, etc.), fatherless and widows (poor, needy and the oppressed).

God always considers the poor and needy. The poor and needy are always in God's heart.

# Why should I HELP THE POOR and NEEDY?

### 1. Because it is a COMMANDMENT TO LOVE.

John 15:12-13 - My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this, that he lay down his life for his friends. To love each other is act of sacrifice.

# Because it is NOT A MATTER OF CHIOCE BUT AN OBLIGATION.

Luke 10:27...... Love your neighbour as yourself.

The story of the Samaritan (Luke 10:30-37) depicts not only who our neighbours are but also the extent to which we are to respond to their needs. Even if I am not to blame for the poor being poor, Scripture tells me I am still responsible to help them. The Good Samaritan was not responsible for the plight of the man lying beside the road. After all, he had not robbed and brutalized him. Nonetheless, he was responsible to love his neighbour as himself. He did this not by ignoring him, but by actively helping him. He generously used his time, energy and money to care for him. Jesus instructed us to do the same.

# 3. Because it is A TEST OF OUR FAITH.

James 2:14-16 - What does it profit, my brethren, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can faith save him? If a brother or sister is naked and destitute of daily food, and one of you says to them, "Depart in peace, be warmed and filled," but you do not give them the things which are needed for the body, what does it profit? Thus also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead.

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Dead faith is faith without works. In James 2:14-16, dead faith was used to describe those who were only paying lip service to the poor and needy around them when something more practical could have been done to help them.

# 4 Because it is A TEST OF OUR BELIEF.

James 1:27 - Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world.

To be part of the pure and faultless religion takes not only keeping oneself holy and righteous but means helping to care for the poor and needy in our midst.

# 5. Because it is A TEST OF OUR TRUE LOVE.

1 John 3:16-19 - This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers. If anyone has material possessions and sees his brother in need but has no pity on him, how can the love of God be in him? Dear children, let us not love with words or tongue but with actions and in truth. This then is how we know that we belong to the truth, and how we set our hearts at rest in his presence.

God's love for us is not only in words but with real action (1 John 3:16). Christ laid down His life for us. Our love must also not be mere words but with action. When we do not help those who are in need when we have the means to do so, how can we say we have the love of God in us?

# 6. Because it is THE MANDATE FOR ALL CHRISTIANS.

Isa. 61:1-4 "The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, because the LORD has anointed me, to preach good tidings to the poor. He has sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to those who are bound...

Isaiah 61:1-4 was Christ mandate from the Father when He was on earth. What is our mandate from God? Has the mandate been changed? No!

John 20:21 – As the Father has sent me, I am sending you.

# 7. Because it is HOW WE REALLY KNOW GOD.

Jeremiah. 22:16 -He defended the cause of the poor and needy, and so all went well. Is that not what it means to know me?

To know God is to know His heart – His heart for the poor and needy.

# 8. Because OUR LORD TAKES IT PERSONALLY HOW WE TREAT THE POOR & NEEDY.

Matt. 25:34-35 - For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat . . . In that you did it for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did it to me.

# Because we will be JUDGED FOR NOT HELPING THE POOR & NEEDY.

Matthew 25 41-43

Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you gave me nothing to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not invite me in, I needed clothes and you did not clothe me, I was sick and in prison and you did not look after me.'

# CONCLUSION

HELPING THE POOR and NEEDY IS NOT A MATTER
OF CHOICE BUT AN OBLIGATION OF ALL CHRISTIANS
AND CHURCHES.

Based on the discussion above, no churches can say that helping the poor and needy is not their ministry. We must all get involved. We can start with our community, but we must also not forget the desperate needs in parts of Asia, Africa and South America. Furthermore, the "poor" in Scripture includes the weak, defenseless and exploited. Efforts on behalf of unborn children, exploited women, the elderly, handicapped and underprivileged immigrants and minorities are close to the heart of God, who calls himself the rescuer of the poor (Job 29:12; Psalm 35:10; Jer. 20:13).

# THE POOR & NEEDY: OUR RESPONSIBILITY

### WORKING WITH ESTABLISHED MISSION ORGANISATIONS.

While some churches may already have their own mission initiatives for the poor and needy, there are other smaller churches and individuals who may not know where to start. Working with established mission organizations helps to channel these resources effectively to where they are most needed. Furthermore, mission organizations have the expertise to equip churches and individuals for more effective work with the poor and needy.

### 3. HOW TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE?

### STARFISH STORY

One day a man was walking on the beach. It was low tide. He saw thousands of starfish which had earlier been washed up by the waves and were now stranded on the beach and dying in the hot sun. As he went along, he saw a young boy picking up a starfish, running to the water's edge and throwing it back into the sea. Then he ran back to get another one and ran to the water's edge again and did the same. He kept doing this one at a time

The man shook his head, went up to the boy and asked him, "Son, don't you see there are thousands of them. You can't save them all. Is what you are doing going to make any difference?"

The boy didn't answer the man. He just picked up another starfish and ran to the water's edge and threw it back into the sea. As he came back to pick up another one, he said to the man, "It made a difference for that one, sir".

The man was moved. He had nothing else to say. He rolled up his sleeves and trousers and joined the boy, saving one starfish at a time.

Though we may not change the whole world and there are millions of poor & needy people, we can help and change each life we touch – **One at a time.** We can make a difference.

### **FINALLY**

Caring for the poor is a sobering responsibility for which we will all be held accountable - "If a man shuts his ears to the cry of the poor, he too will cry out and not be answered" (Prov. 21:13). We must seek to help the poor and needy in the right way, but above all we must help them in some way. Helping the poor and needy is not a peripheral issue. God links our efforts for the poor directly to our relationship with him. May He one day say of us what He said of King Josiah: "He defended the cause of the poor and needy, and so all went well. Is that not what it means to know me?" (Jer. 22:16).

Can we really claim that we know God?

Leng Hua Seng (Director of CREST)



# Children

"If we are the future and we're dying, there is no future."

- Quote taken from "Refugees" - UNHCR

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# IRAN UPDATE BY LANA ON HER TRIP TO BAM, IRAN. 29 JAN - 3 MAR 2004

Iran is an incredibly beautiful land with snow-capped mountains and hotsprings. The largest exporter of pistachios and it has a bumper harvest of oranges this year. It also exports black gold, with petrol price only at US\$ 0.15/L and diesel at US\$0.03/L.

The official religion is Islam with 98.8% of Iran's 70 million population being Muslim. Historically it has gone through much bloodshed. Biblically, many of the Old Testament heroes were from this area. Susa, where Queen Esther lived is now called Shush. Parsi is spoken widely, even in Afghanistan, Uzbekistan, and the surrounding nations.

Teheran, the capital, has a population of 16 million. Most of the large buildings are decorated with huge posters of Ayatollah Khomeini and ruling clerics. The traffic is heavy, driving on the right-side and accident casualty is high, with smog and pollution.

Bam, an ancient city which is part of the old Silk Route is  $1^1/2$  hours by air from Teheran. It is an oasis in the middle of the wilderness. Pakistan and Afghanistan borders are nearby and drug trafficking goes on behind the scene.

It was snowing when I arrived in the morning but by mid-afternoon, the sun was up and temperatures were rising. It took some time adjusting to the head veil and by the time I left for home, I felt "naked" without the veil.

I pitched in the tent with my female friends and definitely was reminded that my body and my journey in this life was like the tent – very temporal while waiting for my permanent building. Day after day, looking out from the tent flaps, I was reminded of Abraham who had some visitors. I too had 'visitors' from the wilderness. I had to kill my 'visitors' - more than 30 of them as they flew into my face as if it was a landing pad. Flies were getting more active with the temperature rising and summer coming.

Crisis Relief Society (Singapore), CRS(S), did a wonderful job of supplying food to feed 2000 people for 6 months commitment from funds raised. Other NGOs that were favored were those involved in providing housing as that was the next stage of rebuilding Bam.

Life in the desert is hard. Wild sandstorms often occur in the desert and summer temperatures of up to 50 Celsius will "roast" them alive. On one occasion in another city, a whistling wild storm lifted and destroyed over 1000 rooftops. Shortly after, a train collision killed more than 200 people, wounding many. There had been an earthquake, a storm and a train collison. What would be next.?

A family that survived the earthquake had a second near-death encounter when their tent caught fire. Now, each time there was a power failure, they quickly ran out in fear. A lady, bedecked with gold jewelry was heard saying she would give away all her wealth to the person who could bring back her dead relatives to life. Children too traumatized to talk hid behind adults and had no interest in accepting candies or balloons. An 8 year old child was found wandering around and when told to go home, she replied "Home, I don't know. My father and my mother and all my siblings are dead".

Ordinary Iranians are growing disillusioned and losing hope. The ruling clerics have not been able to fulfill their promises. Unemployment is at 20%. There is growing public cynicism.

What can you and I do?

- 1. Ask for Prince of Peace to fill this land with hope and purpose.
- Pray that the victims of the earthquake will be able to quickly adjust to normalcy and for job opportunities to be created.

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- 3. Pray that the traumatized children will recover and find bonding with their next closest relatives.
- 4. Bless the NGOs providing food, housing and the psychological needs of the victims.

His mercies and abounding grace be with you and your family.

Working together,

Lana (Executive Director of CREST)



# MOBILE MEDICAL CLINIC, BANGLADESH TRIP: 9 – 18 MARCH 2004

This is the fourth visit to Full Gospel Church Bangladesh in K-l-g, south of Dhaka. It is different for every visit because we see improvement each time we return to the village. God's blessings are obvious in this land and in the hearts of people in K-l-g.

This trip was really unique because there were only five of us - 2 doctors, 1 pharmacist, 1 medical student, 1 intercessor. Many of us had to take on multiple functions and task. Fortunately, the local Bangladesh workers were very well trained and familiar with our approach and clinic set-up. It seemed like they were the real host of the medical clinic while we were the visitors assisting and empowering them.

The initial vision was to reach out to 5000 patients. Surprisingly this too was Pastor Akh's vision which he

revealed to us later. This was my first time being a leader of the team. I thank God for His wisdom and anointing. In this trip we managed to see almost 4000 patients in 7 medical clinic set-ups. As it was dry season, all the team members enjoyed the lorry ride for the mobile outreach.

Leading a team was certainly challenging and fun. Especially when it came to managing the budget and replenishing the medications, daily planning and setting up of the mobile clinics. We were able to bring in two units of water filter systems for the locals to produce clean drinking water. This resulted in some money savings for our own team water consumption.

As we had two doctors on this trip, we were able to do some minor surgeries removing tumors for our patient. Some of the patients traveled long distances from their villages to get treatment. But the greatest gift that they could receive was the Gospel and God's love, shared through the prayer warriors and literature.

The more exciting event of this trip was that the local evangelist had also formed special prayer stations with Christian literature and prayer warriors actively interceding for healing and the need of the patients. Many came to know the Precious Savior, our Lord Jesus Christ at this time.

Our clinics were also mega-preaching stations. After registration, every visitor would be gathered into big groups either standing or sitting down, to listen to the message of God's love. From the first mobile clinic of this trip, I had the chance to preach. That was the best thing that I had ever done. I was overjoyed to witness the reconciliation of sinners with God. Even Annie, our intercessor, had a chance to preach to a big crowd of women.

God's presence and God's face were real in K-l-g. I encourage you to join us for the many trips yet to come, so that you will experience His presence too.

Dr.Kenny Yong

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Dr. Ng (center)

# MOBILE MEDICAL CLINIC, BANGLADESH TRIP: 9 – 18 MARCH 2004

Before this medical mission trip to Bangladesh, I had been to Phnom Penh, Cambodia, which was rather a different experience all together in terms of the place and people I met. I would say it was rather an experience to taste and observe the life of some of missionary friends. And now having served the people of Bangladesh, I come back home with a completely different outlook on almost every facet of my life. As trite as this may sound, I realize now that all my previous motives of becoming a doctor were in fact quite naïve and foolish. My experiences in Bangladesh have made me reexamine my desires and most importantly have strengthened my faith in Christ and in my dependence on His guidance and direction.

When Dr Kenny first told me that there was going to be a mission trip to Bangladesh about two years ago, the first thought that popped into my head was that this would be a great opportunity to do some volunteer work after working for so long in my daily busy schedule. However, I was unable to join Dr Kenny in the past few trips but Dr Kenny never failed to share his experience and passion to the people in Bangladesh after he came back from each trip. I could see the changes in him and it really attracted me.

With the photographs and stories that I gathered from Dr Kenny, it was not difficult to know how poor the people in Bangladesh were. Most suffered from cholera, jaundice, dysentery, malaria, skin diseases,

typhoid, bronchitis, pneumonia, anaemia, asthma, diabetes, or AIDS. They had never imagined any dental service existed. Some of the Bangladesh people were basically born to die, and that was exactly what was going to happen without any outside intervention. I started feeling motivated with the thought that for the first time in my life, I could actually make a significant difference in someone else's life.

During the mobile clinics, we had to make the most of our situation (wooden tables as beds and makeshift curtains out of cloth for medical examinations). The different areas set up were for medicine, pharmacy, and prayer. After the a few mobile clinics, I started to feel overwhelmed with the thought that whether I was going to make any difference in their lives. The amount and type of medicine we had were far too insignificant to their disease and lives. All was only temporary and how much could we offer them? I felt disheartened and helpless! After a small counseling session with Annie, I realize that I had totally forgotten about God!

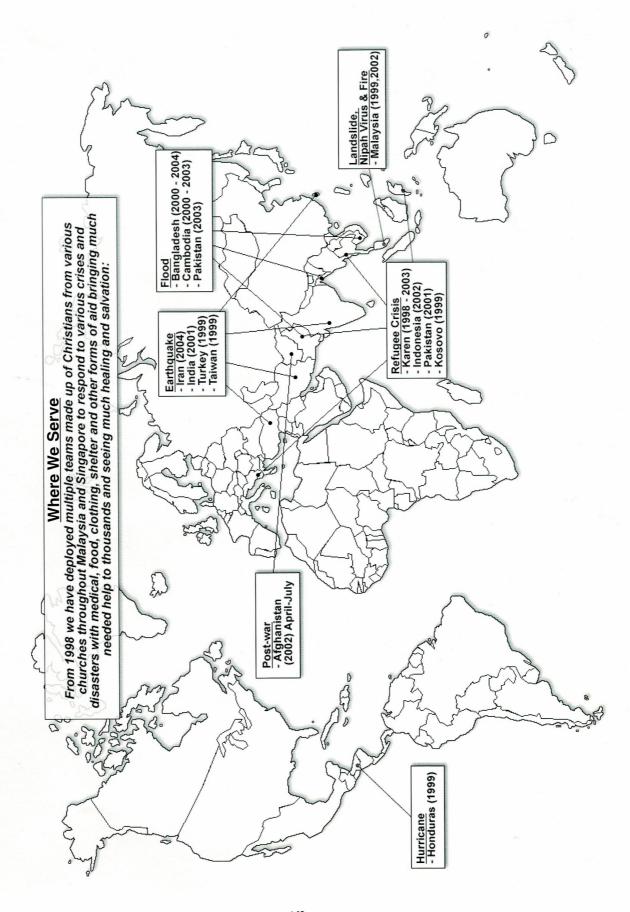
Every person who wanted medical attention would receive prayer from the prayer team after he or she had seen a doctor. Receiving prayer was indeed the most important form of treatment that we could provide for them. Any procedure that could have been provided to help the physical aspects of the person would only be temporary. But by showing that the people were not getting healed by the hands of our team members but by the hands of God, we were providing permanent effects on their faith and belief system. Prayer was more important than medicine, and having faith was what healed the wounds.

I finally realized my life had become one of only satisfying my own pleasures and watching out for my own good fortune, and not one of serving others in the way I knew I should be doing.

I am thankful to God and feel privileged that the medical team members would allow me to accompany them in serving the people of Bangladesh. Thank you to Annie, Dr Kenny, Christine and Ian. Not forgetting Lana and Yoke Mui who kept us in prayer throughout the trip.

Dr Ng Kim Hua, Johor Baru

# WHERE WE SERVE









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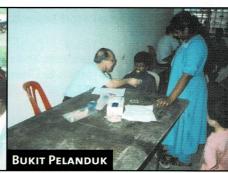
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2 Thess 1:11-12

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To:

Lana Wong & her team,

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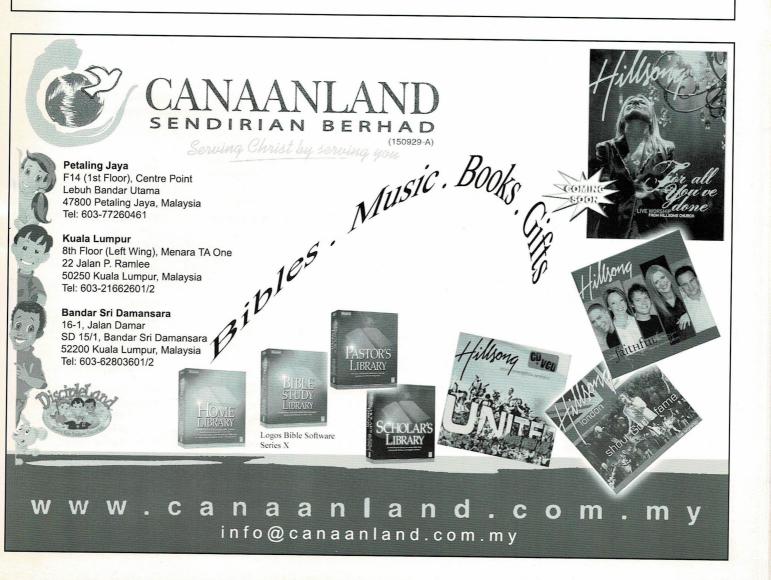


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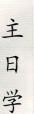
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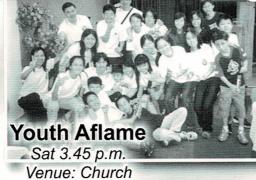






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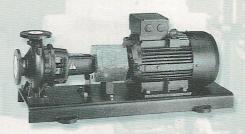
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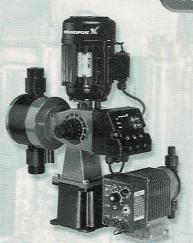


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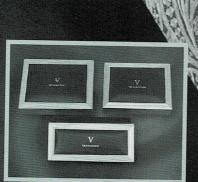


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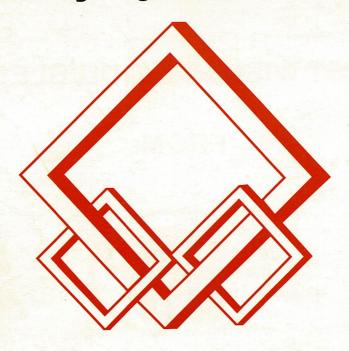
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