

Rescued!

Pastor Richard in Myanmar received an urgent call from Benjamin, one of his team ministers who has been working several years to plant churches in tribal villages. Parents, aunties, and grandparents in two of the villages were so worried their children would be captured and forced to be child soldiers, they were having the children live and hide in the forest. These children, some as young as five years old, needed a new home and quickly. Reverend Richard assured him he would come and rescue them. Benjamin and one woman from each of the villages left with the children and hiked through the jungle. There they were able to meet Richard who had hired a truck to transport them safely to Agape Children's Home.



On the way to their new home. You can see the fear in their eyes.

We received an urgent request for help as twenty-one new children would more than double the existing orphanage. We made funds available to him immediately along with a promise to help with the ongoing needs. After looking into the situation further, we were surprised to learn that Myanmar is the nation with the highest number of child soldiers. Children twelve and over are given guns for fighting, while the younger children are used as servants to clean, carry supplies, and other forced labor.



New shoes, clothing, a towel, and toiletries were given to each child.

villages saw where the children would be living, they burst into tears of joy to see such a beautiful and safe new home. They quickly learned the village children had never

been to school, had not learned to speak or read or write Burmese, and many were malnourished. Fortunately, one of the children already at Agape spoke the



The children carried their meager possessions with them. Many were barefoot. Richard had already purchased new shoes for them when he picked them up. When they arrived at Agape Children's Home and the women from the two



same dialect as the new children and is able to serve as translator for them. They started teaching the children the very next week and they are making fast progress. Look at the happy faces as they enjoy a good meal.

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These precious children have suffered much trauma and fear in their young lives. As you can see in the picture to the right, they are now smiling as they pose with Pastor Richard to show off their new clothes. Praise God they are now safe, loved, cared for, and will learn about Jesus who loves them! If you would like to help with the increased costs of raising the forty children at Agape, it would be a tremendous blessing while meeting a great need!

Clothing for Children in Congo

Since the community feeding program started in 2016 Pastor Jeremiah and Daniel have been concerned about the great need to provide not only food, but also clothing for the children. Thanks to a generous gift from Sterling Church of Christ in Bellingham, Washington, that good work has finally begun. We were able to send enough money for Congo for Christ (CCC) to purchase 1,750 pieces of used clothing to distribute at a recent weekly feeding program. They were able to give every child a piece of clothing and when they were finished had distributed clothing to 1,690 children.



Clothing distribution to community children at Congo for Christ

While we rejoice over this blessing for the children, it has caused another problem. Since the clothing giveaway the attendance at the weekly feeding program has greatly increased. Sadly, last week they were unable to feed all of the 2,150 children who attended. Daniel said that even though they decreased the amount given to each child, they had to send 104 children home without food. They said the children were crying and the staff was crying. I have to admit to a few tears as well, when I read this news. Currently we send \$1,800 monthly for the feeding program, but it is obvious we need to increase this budget again. Thank you for every gift you give to this life sustaining program!



Thank you for partnering with us throughout a challenging yet very rewarding 2021. Your generosity has made it possible for us to share the Savior, God's "indescribable gift," with a world in desperate need of His love and compassion. Our prayer is that each of you have a joy and peace filled Christmas and New Year celebration.

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