

### **APRIL-MAY-JUNE 2019**

During the month of April and the first half of May, we were able to hold Bible-camps in 6 different villages, including our own. We had well over 100 children who attended the camps. With the exception of a few of the children in our village, none of them had ever owned a Bible, and although most of them had heard the name of Jesus, very few of them had any real understanding of who Jesus is, why He came into this sin-cursed world, or why we even need a Savior. Even in the two villages which have protestant churches, there seemed to be no evidence that these people have ever really been taught the Gospel. While we are hopeful to have future ministry in all of these villages, the door has already opened for us to have Bible studies and teach English every Sunday afternoon in one of the villages. We have done this for several weeks now and have some adults (mostly moms) attending with the children.

The camps also brought us into contact with many needy children. Although that was not the main purpose for the camps, we felt God was leading us to bring 6 of these precious little ones into our Home. We brought a 7 year old boy nicknamed Boy. The other 5 are all girls: 5 yr old Kanomjeen, 6 yr old Nacha, 8 yr old Gandtyah, and 10 year olds Dahrahwan and Fah. Please pray for their salvation (in God's time) and that God will help us to "watch for their souls" (Heb 13:17), as well as their physical well-being.

Perhaps the sweetest fruit *during* the camps was seeing a 13 year old girl named Ying trust Christ for salvation and having the privilege of helping 15 year old Ben (one of our girls) lead her own father to the Lord. To say that he has a shady past is an understatement, but in Christ he now has a bright, bright future! Since camps, school has resumed for the children and we have been very busy with different projects. I have built two new sets of bunkbeds for the new girls. (I had built 4 sets for the boys last year). Our girls' dorm is really over-full, with three pairs of the smallest girls sharing beds – not a problem now, but with an eye to the future we have begun the construction of an addition which will provide room for 8 to 10 more girls. The concrete posts are set, the footers are poured, the septic tank is in, and hopefully the concrete slab will be poured before it rains too much to get the truck in. The new Church-building project is progressing as well. We have just poured the concrete slab for the bathrooms (separate building). We hired a man and his wife to put tile in the Church building – they did a beautiful job. We are hoping to start having services in it later this year.

No space for details, but I DO NOT expect to have any more issues with my Visa this year. Thanks for praying!!!

Please continue to pray for the Lahu people next to us, and for AhBpeeChjo in particular, there is a real spiritual-battle for this precious 101 year old lady's soul! Please do battle on bended knees for us – Eph 6:10-19 & 2 Cor. 10:4.

Thank you for all you do to help us – you ARE making a difference in the lives and eternities of these children. And giving us an open door to bring the Gospel to their people!