



June 2014 Newsletter



May 25, 2014, Our Lady appeared to the visionary Marija and delivered the following message for the world

"Dear children! Pray and be aware that without God you are dust. Therefore, turn your thoughts and heart to God and to prayer. Trust in His love. In God's spirit, little children, you are all called to be witnesses. You are precious and I call you, little children, to holiness, to eternal life. Therefore, be aware that this life is passing. I love you and call you to a new life of conversion. Thank you for having responded to my call."

This year the summary is : £ 250 to the Missionaries of Charity in Gambia, £ 425 to CSI in the Sudan for slave redemption, £685 to Salesian sisters in the Philippines for the street children, £120 to SVP twinnage for student education sponsorship in India and £225 to Asia Harvest for Bibles for China.



I watched a video recently, made by another charity, and one of the stories was about one of their younger supporters. Since the age of 7 he has refused birthday presents for himself, preferring that the money spent on them go to feed hungry children around the world instead. He also organises his own fundraisers too and adds whatever he can raise to the total. At 12 years old now, he is already amassing a life and legacy of goodness through his selfless actions, the joy in his own countenance shows that he has already a wonderful understanding of the beauty of giving, a knowledge that he is needed by his poorer brothers and sisters. Perhaps children have greater clarity of thinking; by sacrificing his iPod or computer games or gadgets he can save lives ..simple maths really.



The Laura Vicuna foundation in the Philippines that you have supported for many years now, has a new project. Part of their work is an orphanage for abused girls and the place is dilapidated now so they need to build a new one. They plan to increase the number of girls they can cater for from 25 to 80 and also have various other services available there too, like emergency area, their offices and so on. Its expensive and already half the costs are secured but still a lot is needed. Demolition and rebuilding begins this month. This will serve many children in need for decades to

come. This is a wonderful opportunity for any donors who would like to leave a legacy behind them which will last beyond their years, that will serve children who have not been born yet.

CSI Slave Redemption in Sudan

Christian Solidarity International



Adut Mawein Kuek is in her mid-30s and was captured: in 1998, Liberated: September 2013

Arab-Muslim name: Amana

I am from Aroyo in South Sudan. Before I was abducted, I was married and had five children.

The kidnappers came on foot. They found us in the bush, collecting firewood. I was taken with four other men and women. They forced us to walk to the North. On the way, they raped the women, and beat all of us when we refused to participate in the looting of other villages. I was beaten on my back with a burning stick. I still have a terrible burn scar on my back. Our journey lasted ten days.

In the North, we were taken to different places. I was taken by a man named Mohammad Adam who lived in Mattaric. I was the only slave in his house. He was an unkind man. He forced me to be circumcised, and to be his wife. I did not have any children with him, however. Before I was abducted, I was a Christian, but Mohammad didn't let me go to church in the North. At first I refused to go to the mosque with him, but he forced me.

Today is the first time I've seen myself in a mirror, in the mirrors you brought. I was happy to see my face. I like my face.

I'm happy to be in South Sudan. I will be a farmer, and I will try to find my children.

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Asia harvest continue their great work in producing Bibles in Chinese and getting them to those who have never had access to it.

A recent letter from Asia Harvest's newsletter from Shandong Province reads.. " When the Gospel was first shared with us in 2012 we did not have any Bibles but felt such a hunger to know more about the truth. We cried out to the Lord with burning desire to know more about Him. In May 2013 the Lord answered our prayers when we received Bibles. We fell down, on our faces before the Lord, weeping with joy as we thanked Him. It was explained to us that Christians around the world had sacrificed their hard earned money so we could have Bibles.Although we don't know you by name we thank you from the depths of our hearts. We believe that God will introduce us to those who gave us our Bibles and we look forward to worshipping the Lord with you. Until then, God's grace and peace be with you.

INDIA:-Thanks to all who collect aluminium cans/foil ,printer cartridges and old mobile phones as this has now funded 28 students in India for one year college courses. Two more students have been sponsored £120 during this period.

Mary's Meals Backpack Appeal

The last batch of **120** backpacks were sent out earlier this year with Mary's Meals to Malawi. This is our annual appeal around **Christmas time** so please help to promote it or organize it in your parish or school. For a list of items to include in the backpack see our website for the appeal letter and list. (see download section of the website)

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