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CARING FOR CHINA'S ORPHANS

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WINTER WITH OUR COLLEGE KIDS

This winter I had the good fortune of traveling once again to China, just Helina and I, to check on our kids in the Henan province. This is our primary orphanage for our sponsorship program and I wanted to deliver sponsor holiday messages in person. The highlight of this trip was meeting with our college kids, most of whom have been sponsored by American supporters from a very young age.

The children from this particular orphanage, run for many years by an American expatriate and a Chinese national, mostly arrived in care around the age of 5. Very well-cared for in this home, they had a focus on education and with sponsorship support have been able to go on high school and in many cases college. We have talked about this many times, but in China, only the top students go on to high school then trade school or college and many of our kids have been able to do just so!

This day was precious to me as I have known these young people since days of running around the orphanage playing with flying turtles and basketballs. To be able to meet them in a local coffee shop as (continued...)

THIS ISSUE'S FEATURES

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ORPHAN TO ENGINEER!



This young man has been one of our sponsor children for many years. He is now in college, thanks to American sponsors and Bellevue Church of Christ, studying engineering. His dream to is to eventually move to the US to attend the University of Kansas for further engineering education. We are working to help him in achieving his dream. From orphan to engineer. This is why we do what we do and this is why our sponsors are so vital to the success of our organization!



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young adults and have meaningful conversations with them about their lives and their futures has been a tremendous gift. Many of them traveled for hours via train to meet with Helina and I from their respective cities where they are in school.

The nature of Chinese orphan programs is shifting quickly. However, we do have a handful of children who are waiting on sponsors to help with small things and who will hopefully follow them through their journey into adulthood and higher education, thus breaking the cycle of orphan care and potential poverty in their lives.

Email Jeannie if you would like more information. caringforchinasorphans@gmail.com

TOP 6 WAYS TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN AN ORPHAN'S LIFE TODAY!

- 1. Make Caring for China's Orphans your charity of choice when shopping at Kroger stores.
- 2. If you shop Amazon, shop via Amazon Smile. Instead of going straight to Amazon, visit www.smile.amazon.com and make us your charity of choice there as well!
- 3. Host a "drive" at your church or school or even for a birthday. Email Jeannie for information. It's a great way to get your group mobilized to assist those in need.
- 4. Sponsor a child or an entire orphanage. Contact Jeannie for more information.
- 5. Travel with us to China! Many hands make light work and we always need extra hands for orphanage projects and to talk and hold and play with the children.
- 6. Donate. The truth is the best way to assist us is to donate monetarily which pays for big projects such as bathroom installs, renovations, playgrounds and medical missions as well as shipping costs to get basic goods such as clothing, diapers, sanitary and hygiene products to our partner orphanages.

TRAVEL TO CHINA IN 2019!



It's not too late! You can be part of Team China 2019. Call Jeannie at (615)668-8159. We leave June 30th for this lifechanging trip and we have a seat for vou!

THANK YOU TO OUR 2018 SUPPORTERS!

We couldn't do what we do if you didn't do what you do! Whether you donated money, baked goods, sent clothing, moved boxes, sponsored an orphan, rented a booth at an event, shoppped the Market Place, sewed special items, attended our tea or traveled with us to China, know that YOU MADE A DIFFERENCE IN THE LIFE OF AN ORPHAN! Thank you!

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IMAGES FROM OUR 2018 TEA FOR ORPHANS

Thank you to everyone who came out for tea for orphans. We shared about our work in China, told our story through a slideshow, and made new friends all while munching on yummy food. Thank you!







We would like to extend special thanks to: Bellevue Church of Christ & Shiloh Church of Christ for many years of support of our work in China's orphanages!

IN MEMORIUM GIFTS

Thank you for your generous donations in honor of loved ones who have passed on.

Melissa Sanders in memory of Lynn Crouch Jim and Patty Moon in memory of Betty Johnson

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All children wish to have a family to love and care for them. While many orphans in China will be adopted, many more still wait for a family of their own. You can make a difference in the lives of those who wait. What are you waiting for?

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