



## FROM THE HARVEST FIELD..

Dear Friends,

*You made it possible! Your generosity made a difference.*

Nonthon School and Nonthon village communities received an additional school hall as a result of your donation. Asia, the little girl in the picture below, and another 10 families were blessed with better homes. Find out more and share their joy in this newsletter.



Your refusal to be indifferent to the needs of the disadvantaged and underprivileged continues to change lives. Empowered by your generosity, WHF continues to run the Harvest Learning Center and to reach out to 10 schools and villages. We are also able to fund and expand the various initiatives of Heaven in the Home. Without your dedicated and faithful support, our volunteers would not be able to do what they do so well. All in all, your partnership is indispensable and we are so grateful. May I echo all our team and all your beneficiaries of your generosity by expressing our heartfelt appreciation and thanks.

**THANK YOU VERY MUCH**

**We wish you a fruitful and prosperous 2020  
And a 20/20 vision for the future**

Love, joy and peace,

**Dorothy Jason**

*President*

*World Harvest Foundation*

# Update From Harvest Learning Center

*From the Principal's Desk...*

By: Mike Jason

In my last update I mentioned that our secondary students were preparing to go to the ACE Regional Student Convention in Chiangmai from 23-29 November 2019. This convention was a big challenge and an amazing learning experience for all our secondary students. They had the opportunity to interact with more than 800 students from schools that use the ACE curriculum in schools from Thailand, Vietnam, Myanmar, and Laos. Our students successfully competed in track, basketball, badminton, table tennis, music, group recitation, public speaking, chess, checkers, art, photography, and videotape production.



The children in our prep class, who have been studying for about eight months, are already understanding and speaking English. Our primary children, including our new ones, are enjoying school and showing rapid improvement in reading, writing, and speaking English as well.

We are becoming increasingly convinced of the importance of our dual-focused approach, meaning that we are investing ourselves more than ever in supporting and strengthening the families of the students that we aim to educate.

I am continually thankful for the dedicated team we have here at HLC and for all the hard work that every one of them is contributing. As I look toward the future and anticipate the potential for growth, I also must mention our need for additional volunteers who would consider coming long-term to help us. Could it be you?

***Thank you sincerely to all of you for your very faithful friendship, prayers, and support. Because of you, Harvest Learning Center continues to sow into the lives of the next generation of leaders in Thailand! God bless all of you. Have a wonderful Christmas and a prosperous New Year.***

# Update From Heaven in the Home

Written by: Luckana Yenprakhon (Translated by: Dorothy Jason)

## Home

Accommodation is a very important need. People work hard to have a place to live. But there are many families in our region that cannot make enough money to build safe and stable homes for their families, no matter how diligently they work. World Harvest Foundation, working in partnership with the Singapore staff of Marsh & McLennan Companies, has been able to make the dream of a new home come true for 11 families. We are very grateful to the Singapore staff of Marsh & McLennan Companies, who worked so hard to raise the funds needed to build these homes. During the past 3 months, 11 families saw their houses being renovated or being completely rebuilt. This project is close to completion. We are witnessing tears of gratitude and smiles of joy, as both the givers and the recipients see the end results of these simple yet safe homes. Dreams do come true.

**Before**



**After**



**A new toilet (almost completed) and a new room for Frontier, who lives with her mother and her stepfather.**



**Pakin and his family received a new roof to replace the termite-eaten wooden rafters and the old rusty zinc roof filled with holes.**

## Nong Watermelon

("Nong" means little sister and "Watermelon" is the little girl's nickname.)

Nong Watermelon's mother passed away some years ago. She is now living with her father in Kambon village, also known as "garbage village". This village is called the garbage village because it serves as a provincial garbage dump. Her father works to help sort garbage, earning just enough for food for each day. Nong Watermelon is a very diligent girl, never missing a day of school. She does not enjoy many of the simple amenities of comfort that many of her classmates enjoy. For the past 3 months she has been receiving pocket money daily from Heaven in the Home Ministry, her home now has a fan to help ventilate the living area and she has a warm blanket to use when she sleeps.



**Nong Watermelon receiving a fan and a blanket**

## Sport Partnership

World Harvest Foundation has been working with a group of 10 schools in Samran and Nonthon Sub-Districts for many years. In November 2019 these 2 sub-districts organised a major sports event, with World Harvest Foundation as the main sponsor. This event did much to enhance the friendship between principals, teachers and students. Our team members were grateful to be part of this happy connection, where smiles, laughter and fun filled the air and hearts all around.



**Principals and education officers with WHF volunteers**



**Samran and Nonthon Sports event**

## The First Car in Their Lives



A car is a vehicle that everyone needs. The more beautiful it is, the more expensive, the more pride the owner feels. For Mrs. Dang and her husband, this water cart is the first “car” in their lives. This car will provide them with water for drinking, showering and cooking the food that they sell to support themselves. It may seem insignificant and invaluable in the eyes of some, but for this family their new car made a world of difference. To them, this first “car” is very valuable and priceless.

## Project Love Isarn People

Christmas is a season of love and a time to give. It is more blessed to give than to receive. We gave away a hundred pairs of school shoes to “Project Love Isarn People” as gifts for Christmas. This is an initiative of “Hug Isarn”, a local network of churches working together to help Isarn People. Northeastern Thailand is known as Isarn or Isaan. These 100 pairs of shoes are now travelling to find their owners who will be receiving them with big smiles.



## Ban Nong Kung Noi School

People tend to question the value of small schools, especially schools with less than 50 students. The principals of small schools are constantly wishing for someone to come and help them. We decided that we would not wait to be asked. We initiated a project to encourage them by doing what little that could be done to improve the condition of their sports field. We provided this school with sports equipment and special meals. In this picture our volunteers are delivering delicious cakes to these precious students who are far away from the city area.



## A New Meeting Hall for Nonthon School

By: Dorothy Jason

World Harvest Foundation reaches out to schools in the Nonthon sub-district, providing scholarships, parent training and enrichment programs. Recently it has been our privilege to assist Nonthon School in building a new school hall that also serves as a community hall for the communities around the school. This project will soon be completed. On behalf of all who will enjoy this facility, I would like to thank all the donors who have given generously to this project. This new meeting hall will benefit numerous adults and students for years to come.



Existing pond filled with earth... then filled with concrete



External view of the almost completed school hall



Internal view of the almost completed school hall

## Harvest Time is Happy Time!!!

By: Dorothy Jason

World Harvest Foundation has been planting our own rice since 2006 and we are happy to say that our chemical-free rice is tasty and palatable, much appreciated by those who are gifted with this rice.

2019 has been a dry and difficult year for agriculture in Northeast Thailand. However, we were still able to harvest many different kinds of rice that our hardworking volunteers had planted. It was an exciting time when our team members, along with our school children and their families descended on the harvest field early in the morning to help with harvesting. It was a great time of family bonding and fellowship. Indeed, harvest time is a happy time!



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