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## News from March 2021

Hi everyone,

Wishing you all a beautiful start to April. There were so many wonderful things that happened last month for children in our programs, and today I want to share just a few highlights with you.



### Grand Opening of the Vithu Village School in Cambodia

On March 23, there was excitement in the air as we welcomed 115 new students to our newest school program in rural Cambodia. The children in this village had no access to education, as the location is just so remote. We first met the children here while delivering emergency food relief, and they told our team how much they wished they could learn to read. The amazing LWB community stepped forward to make their dreams a reality. Now, not only are they learning their letters and numbers, they are also receiving essential nutrition through a daily hot lunch program. **You made this possible**, and the entire village sends their deepest thanks.



## India Cardiac Program

In March, there was a whole lot of healing going on with our newest cardiac initiative in India. Eight beautiful children received heart surgery last month, including 9-month-old Karen (on the left) and one-year-old Raven (on the right). Both little girls had been hospitalized repeatedly for their heart defects, but their parents were unable to afford the critical surgeries they needed. All eight children came through their operations successfully, and we give thanks for each precious life saved.



## **Our First Medical Camp in Gulu, Uganda**

LWB was honored to partner with St. Mary Lacor Hospital in northern Gulu to host our very first surgical camp for children born with conditions such as anal atresia and megacolon. This part of Uganda suffered greatly under a brutal Civil War which lasted until 2008, and the region is still extremely impoverished in both resources and medical care. Each beautiful child who came to see our team had waited such a long time for the operations they needed. The surgeons were determined to heal as many kids as possible, operating long into the night to make sure every child got their chance. In all, 49 children were healed the first week of March on this vitally important mission.



## **Healing Home News**

March saw the arrival of two new children to our healing home, both from an orphanage in central China. Four-month-old Derrick and 19-month-old Zander arrived last week and are settling in well. Zander has really struggled at his orphanage, as his larynx didn't properly develop, leading to breathing difficulties and frequent infections. Both boys will undergo a series of medical exams so we can best serve their individual needs.



### **Unity Initiative News**

Our Unity Initiative in China helped six children receive heart surgery during March, including adorable Riley, who had been diagnosed with Tetralogy of Fallot, a complex heart condition. Our Unity program also provided cleft lip and palate surgeries to twelve great kids in far western Gansu province. Many of the children helped last month traveled an extremely long way from the Tibetan plateau. Thank you for making their operations possible.



## Help for Children with HIV

Most of us own at least one clock in our homes, as well as having the exact time always available on our cell phones. In the rural locations where LWB works, however, time is often only known by roosters and sunsets. For children living with HIV, it is critical that their medications are taken at the same time each day, to prevent an increase in viral loads and the possibility of developing full blown AIDS. We recently provided alarm clocks to over 70 children in a district in Uganda with a very high rate of HIV infection. Many of the children here don't have dedicated caregivers, so they were frequently missing doses of their HIV medication. Having an inexpensive alarm clock, set to the same time each day, is an enormous help to children in these situations.

## Joyful Adoption News



Leslie



Cami

Okay, so maybe Leslie doesn't look very joyful in that photo, but Cami was certainly happy to share a smile. We are overjoyed to announce that both of these sweet little girls were chosen for domestic adoption in March! While we sure miss following their progress each day, we're delighted that they are now with their new adoptive families. It's the outcome we want for every orphaned child in our care...a permanent home of their very own. We wish them both a life filled with love overflowing.



These are just a few of the many great things accomplished last month because of your support. I really should put together a compilation of all the times I say "Hooray!" each day when speaking with team members around the world. We are so blessed to have the most dedicated local people on the ground, in each country where we work, turning your kindness and gifts into substantial results. I love that when we all come together with the goal of helping children, lives are changed in extraordinary ways.

With a grateful heart,

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