



## **Eco-Home Orphanage**

### **Six New Children!**

We are excited to share the news that six new children have recently enrolled at the Eco-Home, five boys, and one girl, with approval from the National Child Rights Council of the Government of Nepal.

Our Nepal team regularly coordinates with child related authorities in Nepal to locate orphaned, vulnerable, or destitute children in desperate need of care and protection.

No child anywhere should have to endure what these children have suffered in their young lives. The stories surrounding each of these children are horrific. Several had been abandoned, forced to survive on the streets of Kathmandu, vulnerable to trafficking. Some were forced into manual labor, suffering abuse and malnutrition. None of them were able to attend school. Now rapidly adjusting to their new Eco-Home family of children they are safe and secure for the first time in their lives, receiving nutritious food, clean clothes, proper medical care, and quality education.



L to R, Jalan, Dipan, Rojan, Yujin, Dil and Subash

Your support helps provide a wonderful new life filled with opportunities. Jalan and Dil already have sponsors. *Can you help by sponsoring Dipan, Rojan, Yujin or Subash for \$1,200 per year?*

### **Eco-Home, Back to Classes**

Thanks to the availability of Covid vaccinations combined with a dramatic decrease in infections authorities in Nepal have recently decided to allow in-person learning to resume at schools and colleges. The children are now back in school after the big Diwali festival, enjoying their return to in-person school days to the fullest!

### **New School**

Because of the difficult and potentially dangerous road conditions and excessive travel distance to reach their previous school, a decision was reached to transfer the children to a school closer to the Eco-Home. The children are quite pleased with the move and are now very happily attending the Namu Buddha English Secondary School, within walking distance of the Eco-Home.

### **Congratulations Graduates!**

We are very proud of the seven Eco-Home children who studied hard and passed their Secondary Education Examinations with excellent grades. Devi, Yogini, Salon, Sabin, Rachana, Angel, and Pradip have all completed their basic school level studies and are now continuing their education in higher secondary schools in both Kathmandu and Banepa.

## Eye Hospital Construction Update



### Curing Blindness & Restoring Sight – New Eye Hospital Construction

Dooley Intermed is nearing completion of our brand new full-service Eye Hospital in Nepal near the border of India. Launched in 2018 this construction effort has been the most ambitious project in our 60+ year history of bringing care to people in great need. The final furnishings and equipment are now being installed along with the Optical Dispensary and installation of a 30KW generator for back-up power.

Our goal with this new Eye Hospital is to profoundly improve the quality of life of people suffering from blindness or visual impairment. The location, in Dhalkebar, Nepal, is very close to the border with India enabling patients from both countries to receive high quality ophthalmic care.

By alleviating blindness, we will also reduce poverty in this heavily populated yet underdeveloped area. When fully operational we estimate this new Eye Hospital will serve up to one hundred thousand patients per year from Nepal and bordering districts of India. All patients will receive examinations, eyeglasses, and surgeries regardless of their ability to pay.

**Our URGENT NEED** for this new Eye Hospital is funding for initial operating expenses during the opening process, including 10-12 staff members, medical supplies, and equipment (\$25,000 USD).

Contributors of \$1,000 or more will have their name listed on the Honor Roll in the Eye Hospital Lobby.



We are on the “home stretch” with this ambitious project and will soon provide the “Gift of Sight” for thousands of men, women and especially children in great need. *Can you help us help them?*



## **“The Florence Nightingales of Nepal”**

### **Female Healthcare Volunteer Training Program**

An article in the British publication *Lancet* referred to these incredibly dedicated female healthcare providers as **“The Florence Nightingales of Nepal.”** Florence Nightingale was a hero and considered to be the founder of modern nursing. In 1844 she gave up a life of comfort and privilege, against her parent’s wishes, to pursue nursing. She was so dedicated to nursing that she often cared for patients at night, by lamplight, instead of sleeping. That is how she acquired her nickname, *“the Lady with the lamp.”* Her pioneering efforts reduced hospital deaths by two-thirds!

In her spirit and honor, Dooley Intermed initiated a series of training programs for female healthcare workers in Nepal empowering these women with new skills and knowledge to enhance the quality of care rendered in remote villages. Our programs each train 20+ carefully selected candidates from remote villages who participate in an intensive 40-hour training program. Upon successful completion, each graduate receives a comprehensive portable medical kit equipped with a stethoscope, blood pressure cuff, thermometer, scale, medical references, and basic supplies. Most importantly, they are empowered with new knowledge, skills, and the professional contacts needed when more advanced medical advice and referrals are required.



Florence Nightingale  
**“The Mother of Nursing”**



Traveling on foot along trails to outlying communities they serve as the frontline healthcare workers, helping to eradicate diseases, treating childhood illnesses, and providing vital medical aid to people with nowhere else to turn.

The need for this type of training is enormous. Based on the great success of our previous Dooley Intermed training programs word has spread and we are now receiving multiple requests from volunteer healthcare workers in many other villages seeking similar training.

It costs \$5,000 USD to conduct a complete training program including professional instruction, textbooks, reference materials, a medical kit for each graduate, and a modest stipend to cover the cost of food and transportation to enable women from very poor villages to attend.

Please consider sponsoring a class to empower these truly remarkable female healthcare workers, the “Florence Nightingales of Nepal” to help bring ongoing medical care to remote villages in one of the world’s most impoverished countries.

***“To be a fellow worker with God is the highest aspiration of which we can conceive man capable”***

***- Florence Nightingale***