



Another Joy at Christmas

Christmas is the happiest time of the year, an opportunity to be joyful and grateful with family, friends, and colleagues. There are many things that we all wish for Christmas, some are spiritual and some are material. Children are also eager to welcome Santa Claus as they can receive a gift that they always wanted. Most homes will be decorated with Christmas trees, colored lights and gifts, delicious recipes and drinks will be prepared for many nice guests. However just stop for a while to realize that a lot of children in the central provinces of Viet Nam are standing in the cold of the frosty and biting winter with no food to eat, no warm clothes to wear, and no secure shelters to live. Some bright children are longing to go to school but cannot just because of their families' poor financial circumstances. Other children are in severe conditions and need an immediate surgery but their parents don't know how to afford appropriate medical treatment.

Christmas is a time of giving, family and love. Please give a hand to help children in the central province of Viet Nam, share the luck that you have and make a significant and lasting difference:

- ◆ USD\$3,500 can replace a palm-leaf hut with a typhoon- and flood-resistant house or fund **2 life-saving cardiac surgeries**
- ◆ USD\$ 480 can significantly help a child fulfill his/her educational opportunity for **3 years**. This long-term commitment helps a child to finish the mainstream education and lays a basic foundation of knowledge for a child to further education.
- ◆ Smaller amounts can help CHIA to bring some needed services to children in the rural and remote areas of Quang Nam province.

Robyn Morley, CHIA's founding director, is in Brisbane (Australia) until March and is likely to go to Melbourne. If you would like Robyn to speak to your group about our work or if you want to support our work financially or through volunteering, don't hesitate to email Robyn at program@childrenshopeinaction.org or call her on her Australian mobile: 0437 829275

CHIA would like to extend our sincere thanks to Ripple Massage on Queensland's Gold Coast, for your continued support. For information about their fundraising event on 16th December, please visit the site: <http://mim.io/ed1d1>

Refer to our website for more information

<http://www.ChildrensHopeInAction.org/how-you-can-help/make-a-donation>

