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CHILDHOOD AT RISK



We have two little girls in the village and at the *Good Life Home* in Thailand who share the same name, which is Fa. The first Fa is the daughter of our

local director in the *Good Life Home*, Oh and his wife Chaba. Fa is shy and it takes time for her to warm up to you enough to play. Oh and Chaba are wonderful caring parents who are always watching out for her and tending to her if she gets hurt or sick. They are her parents, her provider and they protect her.

Our second Fa is another precious girl, a little older and not so shy. She loves to pose for pictures and play. She has a contagious smile and loves to interact in English with whatever phrases we have been teaching her. But Fa has no parents to hold her hand or care for her if she isn't well. Her family consists of a grandmother who is no longer able to care for her. Her family connection has been broken; her future isn't secure.

"You have not lived a perfect day, even though you have earned your money, unless you've done something for someone who'll never be able to repay you."

Being Informed

- Most child trafficking is for prostitution, often related to debt bondage, where the children are sold to pay off a debt.
- More than 1 million children, mostly girls, are trafficked each year for sexual purposes.
- Girls as young as 13 are being trafficked as "mail-order brides".
- It is estimated that 10 million children are subject to sexual exploitation. Trafficking of children is lucrative (\$7-10 billion).
- 43% of trafficking victims have never been to school or only partially completed primary school.

Many girls and boys just like Fa are walking the village streets with no one waiting to share the news of the day with. Thousands of children are in the same such vulnerable conditions leaving them open for sex traffickers to prey upon. There are those that prowl villages looking to snatch up such children. Your support helps **Serving Our World** secure their future.



Take a look at what YOU are doing through SERVING OUR WORLD

GOOD LIFE HOME & CENTER

The good news is that *Good Life Home* is complete and ready to care for children like Fa. The *Good Life Home* sits on 12 acres of land with a fishing pond, which will be a source of food and enjoyment and a rice patty that will furnish the necessary supply of rice.

The *Good Life Home* is a haven, a home where children can be safe to play, with grounds enough for them to be a kid and play with friends. Its here your donation will make the difference. They will have someone like Oh and Chaba that will watch over them, to tell their daily adventures to and to be safe from those looking to exploit them.

We need you to help us secure a future for them. Make a start today with \$10.00 or more a month. Nothing is more needed and fulfilling then to step in and to care for those at risk!

Be involved in:

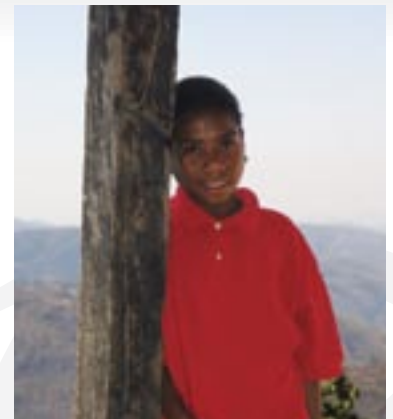
- Perimeter wall
- Sports fields
- Playground
- Landscaping
- Monthly care

EAST TIMOR

It was reported about half of all Timorese children under five years old suffer from malnutrition and are underweight or stunted. Unicef relayed the story of a two-year-old girl named Diana who weighs the same as an average 6-month-old baby. She was recently released from the hospital, she has now returned to whatever basic food her family can grow or afford to buy.

“Her appetite is better and we try to make her eat,” says her father, “but she can only eat what we have and she doesn’t always like it.” Diana comes from a large family and is one of fifteen children. Five of them have already died. Their father sees it as fate – a story that is all too common. In such large families, it is often the youngest who suffer most. Like Diana, their voice is weak. Their cries are easily lost in parents’ daily struggle to survive.

In our village they face such adverse circumstances yet are so excited when we arrive. In March we’ll be there with a Doctor supplying meals and education materials, working on ways to provide opportunities for the future. Will you help Serving Our World monthly to sponsor this project and help us reach families like Diana’s? Together we can bring encouragement and hope that will produce lasting results!



Help Support monthly

- 2 Cooks
- 4 Teachers
- Meals and supplies for 100 children

Message from the founder

Since starting **Serving Our World** we’ve seen so many children given new hope and joy, which is seen on their faces each time we come.

If you haven’t made an investment in the lives of these little ones why not start today. With whatever amount you can. You can change a life and bring hope to someone else today. As children go, so go the nations!

I would enjoy your comments or questions, e-mail me at: mike@servourworld.org

