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Hands On

Traveling to East Timor; first on the agenda was to reach our destination of Sideria and our Birthing Center project. Upon arrival they asked me to share with the village and as I did, I emphasized to them that as they look around, they can SEE the results of love in action and of their believing!



involved, good things can happen. This is the physical proof that they are loved and cared for and this is the Hands On results of love responding to their need.

It is really amazing that in less than a month this first class building, the newest addition to this simple village, is now ready for the roof! I love this success! As I stood down in the hole of the septic system we were digging, along side me is Mateus our director and Jason from Hawaii who volunteered to get his hands dirty once again. Around us watching were the children as well as the Timorese builders who were staring



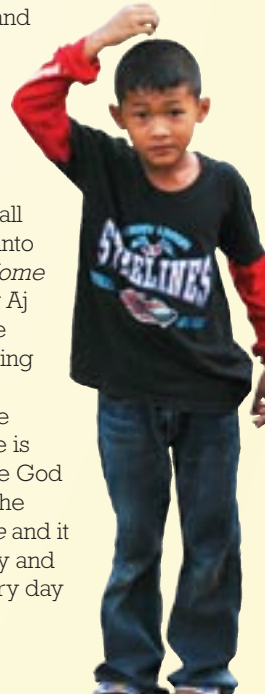
down on us smiling at these foreigners that would come and

New Arrivals

One of the new children to the *Good Life Home* Thailand this year is 9 year old Dio. Dio is in the third grade and very happy to be living at the *Good Life Home*. Days before Dio made the move he had his bags packed and was ready to go. Dio was living with his single mother who makes very little money a month, so she was very happy to have a home for him even though she doesn't live close to the *Good Life Home*.

Dio is a happy boy and likes to wrestle and play with Jasmine, the *Good Life Home* dog. He also likes to play Soccer and Basketball and is ready to help.

Tayla writes, as they were having a family meeting and welcoming all of the new kids into the *Good Life Home* that our director Aj Boonsong let the kids say something if they wanted to. Dio made the comment that he is thankful because God brought him to the *Good Life Home* and it made him happy and he is happy every day now.



work along side them to build something the community is proud to have in the village. As I see them I am thinking... I am here because of YOU; this success is every one doing something Hands On so that others can live a healthier, safer and brighter future knowing that they are loved.



The next stop was Lique DOE, our mountain village project and today was a very special day! Today an assembly had been called and the president of the district, vice president and village leaders were present, along with the community. Here in this very mountainous location, land is not easy to use as it is so steep and sloped. But today, starting with me, I shared

our **Serving Our World** vision and then each official went around and explained how important it was for **Serving Our World** to be given land to expand.

They were telling us that their children are suffering and so many widows are barely able to survive, but they have seen over the last one and half years that the **Serving Our World** project has been very successful and helped so much. It was very moving for me to hear that what we together have done, in obedience, has been shaping their future. They are excited about the growth as more are given the opportunity to learn, it is transforming the village all around. The Hands On approach to serving others!



While in East Timor I had the opportunity to spend time with staff and Directors of two of the largest children's relief organizations in the world. At their Dili office I learned that both of their efforts are focusing on capacity building of infrastructure. What is not being done is reaching down to the level of a child, one on one, looking them in the eye and being there to lift them up and show them they are loved by providing meals and the education they so need. **Serving Our World**, with your Hands On approach; starting at the hut and working out, is there. Hearing the voice of a widow's need or holding the hungry child and feeding them a fresh bowl of rice and meat. Who is there? YOU ARE! And we are filling the void together!

Hands On Projects Needs

- **Staircase** \$1200
Good Life Home Thailand
- **Planting Rice** \$600
7 acres
- **Schooling** \$500
4 children

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Message from the Founder

As I was sitting beside a few of the children in Sideria, taking a break, I felt so honored to be able to be physically there, right in the middle of their world and able to bring a smile to their faces. As I shared with the hundred or so village members and saw all the children and mothers I felt joy as I know that now no more will a baby be born on the dirt floor of a hut. And at the *Good Life Home* in Thailand as we take in more children they too are being transformed because we all are reaching out past our city into a world of needs. I thank those of you that have and encourage those who have not yet, begin; today you can change the future in a life!

