

Asia Care Foundation

Newsletter 2017

Dear everyone who is involved in the work of Asia Care Foundation,

In this eighth newsletter we like to share the things that happened within Asia Care Foundation the past year. We are grateful for receiving so much support every year again. Thanks a lot!

Travel to Mae Sariang

On January 13th of 2017 Bob has travelled with the Rescue Phetkasem Foundation to Mae Sariang (Mae Hong Son, in the northwest of Thailand). They brought 2500kg of rice, 500 blankets, 300 children's winter coats and much second hand clothes. The Asia Care Foundation donated the rice and 200 of the blankets.

Flooding Bang Saphan

Shortly afterwards the news came about a flood in Bang Saphan (in the south of Thailand). Many people lost everything. Bob knew a woman in the church he goes, who knew who needed help in that area. He brought drinking water, rice cookers and rice.

When he was there, he saw that the schoolchildren were wearing worn out clothes. The school uniforms had also been lost due to the floods. In Thailand, going to school without a uniform is an unacceptable situation, for which exemption was given only for a short time. So after his trip Bob arranged 69 school uniforms in the right sizes. In February he went back to bring them there.



Renovation children's home Padeng

The children's home where Bob brings food every month was in need of a makeover. There were leaking roofs, old bedding and it was not painted for a long time. At that time Bob came into contact with the German embassy. They wanted to provide support in a wider area than where they were active until now. They met Bob in their search for suitable projects. Bob then drafted a plan and thus the entire renovation could be funded.



A vegetable and herb garden has been laid out for own consumption, animals have been purchased (for among others milk production, eggs and meat) and their stables have been renovated.

The children got more rooms, new beds and bedding. Also desks and wardrobes were purchased. Several buildings were painted, the leaking roofs were renewed and there was tiled.



Asia Care Foundation contributed 10% of its own resources to this huge project. The other 90% was subsidized by the German embassy.

Board

Almost everything for this work is arranged in Thailand by Bob himself. However he needs board members for the foundation in the Netherlands. In this year, the chairman of Asia Care Foundation indicated that he would make his place available after more than 7 years. That is why we are looking for a new board member. It is about a limited amount of time, with about two meetings per year. A new board member does not necessarily have to take on the role of chairman, the more important goal for the board is being able to continue making decisions with three people. If you are interested or would like to learn more about what this board work means, please contact the secretary Matthias den Hartog via info@asiacarefoundation.org.

Short news

The monthly support to families continued last year. Four families were added in 2017, so that now 27 families are participating. Also a Thai family will participate from January 2018 on, with a sick boy of less than one year old. He needs, among other things, diapers and perhaps also milk powder.

The roof of the goat farm of one of the families has been built so that the goats can live healthier and yield more.



Partly because of this, this family could become more self-sufficient and the support given by Asia Care Foundation for this family could be reduced.

Travel to Mae Hong Son

In 2018, Bob will again join the Rescue Phetkasem Foundation to the province of Mae Hong Son. Just like last time, the trip goes to the Ban Watoo Border School in Mae Sariang. Here 4000kg of rice, blankets and winter coats are needed for the children. Asia Care Foundation will also contribute to this by donating 2500kg of rice and 70 children's winter coats. It will again be an exciting ride of over 2100 kilometers long. The last about thirty kilometers is via very difficult terrain, partly off road.

Guided tour

Bob likes to lead people around in his area, so if you are in the area: make an appointment and please send us your travel report to post on the website.



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Board:

Jan Strijker – Chairman
Matthias den Hartog – Scribe
Hans van Schaik – Treasurer

Website

The website of Asia Care Foundation is present at www.asiacarefoundation.org. On this website more information about the work of Bob can be read. One can also find the story of Bob.

Support

You can support Bob's work in Asia and also himself in various ways:

- By sending him a postcard. The postal address in Thailand stands beside.
- By praying for him and his work.
- By donating a cash amount to one of the following Bank accounts:* A small fixed amount per month (for example one euro a month) is more practical than a larger amount once, however that too is welcome.

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Money coming into these accounts will be used among other for the purposes specified in this letter. Thanks in advance for your support.

Sincerely, Bob, Hans and Matthias

*The Dutch bank account is controlled by the board of Asia Care Foundation and the Thai banking account is controlled by Bob and checked by the board of Asia Care Foundation. From donations of donors outside the euro-zone a lower part of the money is lost by the rates of exchanges if they directly send the money in Thai Bath to the Thai Bank account