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Dear Family members,

It is a great privilege for us to be involved in hands on, grass roots projects with people, and even whole villages, who are making wonderful progress as we help them reach their destiny. We are excited to report to you what has been accomplished because TOGETHER, with your help, we are present and providing hope.

Each of us has a destiny to fulfill and a reason to press on every day. As Gwen and I travel, we are so thankful for all that is available to us in the United States. However, we also believe there is a reason **Serving Our World** is in Thailand, East Timor and other countries where the doors are open. While we in the United States have great opportunities and freedom to choose, those living where **Serving Our World** is working do not have those options. For some in the mountain village in East Timor, their major daily task is trying to find something to eat or to walk four hours just to get water.

As you make a commitment to be a part of this work, you will not only be providing basic provisions for a child's survival, but you will also be there each day, as the child is educated and taught a trade. And once a child has learned a trade, they can eventually support themselves and others, and know the joy of providing for their own and their family's needs.



After losing both parents and grandparents to disease they are lonely and at Risk, a brother and three sisters. **Serving Our World** is stepping up to welcome them into our *Good Life Home* family. Will you help us so they can reach their destiny?



Last month I had the opportunity to help an old friend of mine that I know and trust in India. He was sharing with me how I could help to bring a purposeful solution to orphaned and abandoned children or whole families called, "Rag pickers." Rag pickers are forced by despair and loss of hope to dig in dumpsters or garbage bins in search of anything that can be scraped up and sold to dealers.

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These scavengers can be little ones who are 7 to 8 years old or mothers who are forced to take their babies and toddlers with them while they scavenge. Although we don't know them, we are happy to help by sending the funds. No matter what the size of the gift, we know it will help to get them off the streets and hopefully, start a new and better life on their own!

When you give to **Serving Our World**, you are connected, tying your life with those who are trying so desperately to survive. This simple act of kindness will bring all of us closer to our destiny. Stepping up to be part of the solution is where it all starts.



"I am only one, but still I am one; I cannot do everything, but still I can do something; And just because I cannot do everything, I will not refuse to do the something that I can do."

-Helen Keller

This year we desire to build a *Good Life Home* in the south of Thailand and in the East Timor Mountains. When I look over the land, I don't see bare ground, but the joyful playing of children. Children that, with your help, we can rescue from the sex industry, those who are begging to survive. I have been in the dark alleys and sat in sparse, barren huts. I have seen an abandoned 3 year-old toddler sitting in a puddle on the side of the road. Join with us today and TOGETHER we can do amazing things to save so many innocent children from despair and hopelessness!



Each of you reading this letter is given the opportunity to do something UNEXPECTED for those innocent children at our doorstep. Help us to make that critical response on their behalf, creating something wonderful for them TODAY! Whether you are buying meals for a child, helping to support their education, or giving money to build a *Good Life Home*, YOU ARE RESCUING CHILDREN, restoring them and bringing them hope instead of danger and exploitation. Make the decision to change their lives and through your generosity, your life will be changed too!

Together reaching those in need,

Michael Thomforde
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