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Dear Family Member,

New Hope, New Dream for this New Year!

As we welcome in 2009, we are excited about the many opportunities to serve and help those in need. In East Timor, the people are patiently waiting as we work to complete a new facility and education center in their village. We hear over and over how happy they are that we are helping them.



This month our major project is to build a water system for this mountain village. As you can imagine, there is an urgent need for clean water and hygiene facilities. In this case, your support and help will make a huge difference for these poor people who have never had clean water or known the joy of taking a shower.

Jug's Story

Meet Jug, a young girl from the village. Every week she attends our programs in Thailand. Here are her comments about the Christmas outreach: "My favorite activity is the Christmas event at *Good Life Home*." "I came and join every year." "Other activities I like to attend are to study English in the English class."

She also has desires for the future: "I dream to be a nurse when I grow up, I ask for the wisdom to do one day."

There are so many children like her who attend classes every week and are

so grateful that you choose to assist her by helping to bring a program like this to her village. So, a very big thank you for your support to **Serving Our World**.



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This year, many received new hope and were encouraged through our Christmas outreach as food and supplies were distributed, as well as toys given to many beautiful, excited children. It was a blessing to share a message that brings hope and love, possible only through your generous giving.

As you make plans for the New Year, remember those that are poor and suffering. Consider sharing a part of your resources so those families and young girls can have a future, a future that includes love and support from **Serving Our World**.

And once again thank you for bringing **Serving Our World** to those who look forward to our programs and are so glad we are there. With your help, we can make such a big difference, feeding and caring for so many more. Will you consider adding the great needs of others this year to your plans for the New Year? They will be forever grateful and you will never receive a better return for the money you give to support them!



Together reaching those in need,

Michael Thomforde
Founder/President



Comments from Mike & Joan

What a privilege to go and see what God is doing with **Serving Our World** in East Timor and Thailand! It is amazing what has been accomplished with restricted resources. I was so blessed to see that **Serving Our World** is respected and appreciated by the villages and officials of the area.

The *Good Life Home* in Udon Thani was another highlight of our trip. Meeting the precious children in the home, seeing the wonderful facilities in which they live. The Christmas party to the surrounding area was such a blessing. We saw the wonderful impact that the Home is having for Christ to so many children on a weekly basis.

We can hardly wait to go again.