

Strathaven Friends of Health Help International Newsletter No 34

Please find enclosed a copy of the latest **HHI** Tidings. This is shorter than usual and devoted mainly to providing information about the contents of the Four Schools booklet (**Gods Special Children**) which you received earlier from us and which we hope you found of interest.

We draw your attention to the details on page four of the Tidings of the forthcoming **HHI Supporters Evening** on Friday evening 10th September which is to be held on a trial basis on Zoom.

If you wish to 'attend' this yourself at home let Iain know and he will send you an e-mail with the link invitation for joining.

However otherwise please come along and join the members of the SFHHI committee in the Avendale Church Hall that evening where we are arranging to set up a large screen and the Zoom link for all of us to join with the **HHI** committee members and their supporters in Wales and England. Come along anytime after 7.00 pm for the start of proceedings at 7.30 pm. Presentations will be given by members of the **HHI** and **SFHHI** committees of the ongoing works supported by the Charity in Zambia and India and hopefully we will receive on-line messages from Tom Sutherland in Australia and Philip Mathew in India.

Let us know if you can join us and also if you would like transport to and from the church.

This is assuming no new Covid restrictions have been imposed.

Latest News from India and Zambia



Great work is being done by Philip Mathew and Pastors Wilson and Samuel in Kerala using funds provided by **HHI**, to provide food to many who are in great need due to the continuing serious pandemic situation. The photograph shows food being distributed to the children of one of the Tuition Groups supported by Strathaven.

The other great news from Philip is that, despite all the restrictions he has been able to secure a new building for his Happy Valley School for handicapped children and though the children are still not able to return daily an impressive inauguration ceremony was held recently.



In Zambia **HHI** is also providing regular funding to feed up to 100 handicapped children who have been suffering greatly from the effects of the pandemic and also lack of food due to recent the harvest failure.

We are pleased to report another successful project supported by **SFHHI**. Construction is now well under way of a new house for the head teacher of the Nanga School for handicapped children. A large proportion of the funding for this building has come from Strathaven including £4,200 donated by the Round

Strathaven 50 Committee.

Round Strathaven 50 – Sunday 19th September

After a lapse last year due to the lockdown the annual RS50 Charity Cycle event will be held again this year. Already over 500 cyclists have signed up for this. **HHI** is a regular beneficiary of the monies raised at this annual event and is likely to receive a further donation this year. If you can help in any way during the day of the event or are willing to donate home-baking please let any of the committee members know.

Your support will be much appreciated.

Hand Painted Leaf Cards

These are available on line from our website at www.sfhhi.co.uk or telephone your order to Kath. She has plenty in stock but it's never too early to place your orders for cards to send at Christmas.

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