

Medjugorje International Relief

25th Anniversary Newsletter The family motto of the Antarctic explorer Shackleton is '*By endurance we conquer*' His own trials and adventures are a testament to the key to endurance ; a combination of perseverance, hard work and God's blessing and intervention. In the 25 years since we started this journey, we have had plenty of both. Over the years so many people have given a great deal of their time, talent and money ; made great



sacrifices to help in the many projects that we worked on. And yet I know that 'Sacrifice is no longer sacrifice if it is done in love' it is joy to the giver and new life to the recipients. Two of our current activities exemplify this : one is the metals recycling which is now one of the biggest fundraisers with an ever increasing team of collectors and helpers. The proceeds have contributed to education projects in India, the slave redemption in Sudan , relief to refugees in Syria and the home for abused girls in the Philppines, to name a few: a lot of



effort but a magnificent result. Another current project is the backpack appeal (formerly shoebox appeal) which has involved school children as well as parents and touched the lives of thousands of children in Africa. Thanks to all who give their time and effort to helping those in need ; and we thank God for the opportunity to serve Him.

<u>Summary</u> :- In the last year or so the following distribution was made :- £1000 to the Little way Association for the South Sudan for those starving because of civil war; £1000 to CSI for slave redemption in the Sudan, £500 to the Laura Vicuna Foundation in the Philippines for their work with the poor, particularly young girls; £450 to Mary's meals along with 125 backpacks for school children in Malawi, £200 to the Good Counsel network in London who save the lives of unborn babies through their prayer & Counselling outside abortion clinics and lastly £250 to Asia Harvest for Bibles for China. Thanks & God Bless you.

Sudan ... CSI slave redemption .. Nyibol Deng Gang

I was ten years old when I was captured. Baggara Arab raiders came to the marketplace and took me, along with some other women and children. We were bound with ropes and forced to walk to the North. I was raped many times on the way. My master was named Sadiq Hamet. He beat me very badly. My kidneys are damaged from his beatings. I saw two people executed – a lady and a boy. I can't remember their names now. Sadiq Hamet's brother cut off their heads in front of my eyes and hung their heads from the tree. Sadiq's brother pointed to their heads and said, "This will happen to you if you ever try to escape." I have two sons. The younger one, a toddler, was able to come back to the South with me. But I couldn't take my other son with me. He is six years old. He was left behind. I dream of one day seeing him again. Sudanese slavery has separated thousands of people from their loved ones. CSI is working to bring them home.

Sudan ...Littleway Asociation Feedback from Sr Viji of the daughters of Mary Immaculate



'We are reaching out to vulnerable displaced persons living in UN camp POC3 in Juba by providing lifesaving nutrition and health support' We provide food packages to 350

children (see photo) The conditions of the displaced people continues to deteriorate as levels of violence escalate'

A Refugee Camp in Sudan below ..



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