

Guizhou Rose Charitable Society 2010 Update.

Dear Friends:

We have the pleasure of updating you on the various projects we have done in Guizhou this year. You may recall, Guizhou was hit with natural disasters several times this year. At the beginning, it was a severe drought, causing loss of farm animals and crops. Then it was hit with floods followed by landslides and loss of lives and properties. The people of Guizhou had a specially hard time this year. During the crisis, we managed, with the help of our donors and support groups, to raise enough money in one year to build 5 water projects at an average cost of only about \$6000 per project, with long term benefits to numerous poor families. This is the highlight of the year 2010. Other projects are as listed below:

A Medical Mission:

- I. **Medical exchange** in Zhenning 鎮寧 county hospital. (2007)
- II. **Built 3 village medical clinics.** (2008)
- III. **Free medical clinic** in 打洞村 village in Guizhou. (2009)
 - a) provided free medical services and medications to villagers
 - b) distributed warm clothing and shoes to children.
- IV. **Free medical and dental clinics** in 甲定 & 高坡 villages (23 & 24/10/2010)
 - (a) provided free medical/dental services and medications to villagers
 - (b) donated blankets and rice to the poorest families.

B. English teaching mission:

V. **English teaching in Guiyang city.** (2009). The first teaching was conducted by Irene Tan, a volunteer from Singapore. We hope to be able to expand this mission to reach out especially to young people in the future.

C. Village development mission: (in partnership with the Asia-Bridge Development Agency ABDA of Fr. Matthew Carpenter)

- VI. **Housing project:** in **Jianpo village.** 尖坡 (completed 2008)
- VII. **Water projects:** We have completed 7 water projects with the help of support groups in Singapore.
 1. **Pianpo 偏坡,**(2009)
 2. **Si Da Zhai School 四大寨小學.**(2009)
 3. **Nonchang 農場,** (2010)
 4. **Tangtou 塘頭.** (2010)
 5. **Sha Ba 沙坝.** (2010)
 6. **Xiao Niu Chang School 小牛場小學.** (2010)
 7. **Tianba 田坝.** (2010)

D. Education mission:

VIII. **Anlong High School** 安龍中學 (the only high school run by the Catholic Church in China.)
Built an activity platform (completed 2009)

IX. Deaf and Dumb School in Ziyun: Supplied computers, sewing machines & barber sets.(completed 2008)

X. Lungyun School 尤云小學: Donated school bags with dictionaries and stationery as well as tooth brushes and toothpastes to 232 students.(Oct 2010)

XI. Xiao Niu Chang School 小牛場小學. Taught basics in brushing teeth and washing hands and gave out tooth brushes and tooth pastes. Built a water reservoir in the school.(Oct 2010)

E. Church building mission:

XII. Rebuilt the Ziyun Church. 紫云教堂 (built 2009, final landscaping, road construction leading to the church and interior furnishing done 2010)

Assisted in building of the rectory for the Meitan Church. 湄潭教堂 (2010) and the **Huajiang Church.** 花江教堂 (in progress)

XIII. Assistance to the Guizhou clergy :

We gave assistance to 3 priests from Guizhou to go to Singapore for retreats (April-May, 2010). They all claimed to have had a memorable experience.

In the coming year, our plans include the following:

1. Village development: We will continue to build water projects, which has the largest impact on the Human Development Index, far greater than any investments in education or health care. We will also have some selected road building project and bridge building project in some of the most neglected and poorest areas of Guizhou.

2. Education: the needs in Guizhou are enormous.

Student bursary: At present, Junior high school students need to attend schools in county town. If the roads are bad or the distance too great, they need boarding and this costs 1000 RMB/year. For Senior high school students they have to pay (i) lodging (boarding or renting) (ii) school fees, and (iii) school books, services etc. The total outlay each year will easily come to Y3000. 70% of rural parents with young children are unable to cope economically. This means that tens of thousands of these families are depending on aid. Our bursary program will need 1000RMB/yr for Junior high students, and 3000 RMB/yr for senior high students.

Vocational training: The Asia Bridge Development Agency has launched the vocational training program in a high school in Anshun. This skills training project needs our financial support. We believe our investment in the education of these students will provide the best long term benefit to the development of Guizhou. (百年樹人)

3. Health: We will continue to have our yearly medical and dental village free clinics in rural areas of Guizhou. Your donations go very far indeed in providing all the free medical and dental consultations, the free medications, and also donations of blankets and rice to the poorest villagers.

4. Church: We will continue to support the local Catholic Church, which is instrumental in mobilizing the local health care personnel and organizing our village clinics to make it such a great success.

Here we are, dear friends, we have been very active in helping our brothers and sisters in Guizhou. The perceived wealth of China is unfortunately very poorly distributed. There is no doubt the Coastal areas are very well off, but the Interior is still very poor indeed. We, once again, appeal to you all to give generously for helping the needy in Guizhou. We would like to remind you that your donations will be fully tax deductible with Revenue Canada and you may get as much as half back in spring of

2011, depending on your tax bracket. Moreover, whatever you give goes directly to the targeted projects, as there is no middleman involved, and no expense (except for bank charges to send the money). The volunteers who go are entirely self sufficient. Our president has been making yearly trips, sometimes even more than once a year, all on his own for our mission and our Guizhou brothers and sisters. He has been visiting, supervising, advising and making sure our money is well spent. Cheques made out to “Guizhou Rose Charitable Society” can be sent to c/o Chao Tai, 610 HYS Centre, 11010- 101 Street, Edmonton, AB, T5H 4B9, or to the secretary, c/o F.L. Leong-Sit, 2419 Tegler Green, Edmonton, T6R 3K2.

We wish you a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy, Healthy and Prosperous New Year. Thank you for your consideration, God bless.

Lin Leong-Sit, Secretary
Chao Tai, President
November, 2010.

(See the 14 pictures attached below)



Medical and dental projects:

1. Village clinic at 甲定鄉義診 (2010)
2. Village clinic at 高坡鄉義診 (2010)
3. Giving out free medications. (2010)
4. Donation of blankets and rice to the poorest families. (2010)



Village development projects:

1. Pianpo water project. 偏坡水供項目 (2009)
2. Tianba water project. 田坝水供項目 (2010)
3. Nonchang water project. 農場水供項目 (2010)



Education projects:

1. Anlong High School 安龍中學: Built an activity platform (2009)
2. Deaf and Dumb School 紫云聾啞學校: Provided sewing machines & computers. (2009)
3. Longyun School 龍云小學: Donated school bags, dictionaries and school supplies to all students. (2010)
4. Xiao Niu Chang School 小牛場小學: Built a water reservoir for the school, and gave some dental supplies and demonstration of basic hygiene. (2010)



Rebuilt the Ziyun Church. (2009—2010)