



Dear friends and well-wishers of DAIA,

Greetings in the matchless name of our risen Lord Jesus Christ. Thank you for your valuable and continued support for the work of DAIA. In this newsletter, we share with you the events undertaken in June 2018.

Success Story of Mrs. Alagurani:

Born in a village near Kovilpatti, Mrs. Alagurani (Name changed) 35 years, attended school through to 10th grade and later married a lorry driver, Selladurai (Name changed). They were blessed with two healthy children before Selladurai was diagnosed as HIV positive and sadly died in 2012. Following her husband's death, Mrs. Alagurani was also diagnosed as HIV positive. Fortunately, she became involved with DAIA where she received Anti Retro Viral (ART) treatment for her illness. With the ongoing support and encouragement of DAIA and continuing her treatment, Mrs. Alagurani's health has improved to such an extent that she now works in the Network Office to supplement her income.

Visitors From Tuticorin Corporation.

Visiting DAIA campus recently was Dr. S Vinodhraj (City Health Officer), Mr Raja Pandi (Sanitary Officer) and Mr. Muthukutti (SWACHH Police) from Tuticorin Corporation. The purpose of their visit was to learn and view first-hand how we managed waste water, solid waste, rain water harvesting and vermin composting methods. While at DAIA, they were delighted to see our herbal garden and have indicated they will implement similar gardens in each area of Tuticorin Corporation.



Medical Camp



Early in June, 50 HIV/AIDS patients were issued with 60 kilos of nutrition powder in addition to their medicines and tonics.



Free Eye Camp

Nearly 88 patients attended a free eye camp which was jointly organised by Shalom Chanty Mission and DAIA (Development Association for Integrated Activity) on Saturday 9th June, at the Zion Church. Patients were screened for cataract and other vision disorders such as short and long sight by a team of paramedics from Vasan Eye Care Hospital at Tuticorin. Those who had been identified with cataracts were referred to the Vasan Eye Care Hospital for further treatment.



Care and Support



The following week, on June 16, our Care and Support Program attracted a further 15 HIV/AIDS patients. They reported that their health had improved with the on-going care and support of DAIA and the nutrition powder and grocery items which was given to each patient.

Children to Children Gift Project:

We praise God every day for the wonderful partnership DAIA is able to maintain with organisations such as the Samaritan's Purse International over the past two years in distributing gift boxes donated to India. Based on the experience of both the partners it has been mutually agreed to continue this partnership for the current year also.

Last year (2017-18) 3,75,000 gift boxes were distributed in 52 locations spread over eight states of India through the regional and district volunteer teams, irrespective of caste, color and religion. This year six new locations will be added: Three in Maharashtra (Amravati, Kolhapur and Ahmednagar), two in Jharkhand, (Jamshedpur and Gumla) and one in Andhra Pradesh (Srikakulam). The different teams are ready for receiving the boxes.

We are just waiting for the Ad-hoc order to come from the Government of India. During 2018-19 it is planned to distribute 4,00,000 gift boxes to the needy children in different parts of India. We will keep you updated. Mr. Francis is the points person between DAIA and Samaritan's Purse as well as with the Government in this project.



Regular activities during June 2018

Last month, it was encouraging to see 88 people attended our special Eye Camp. During our regular house visit 122 PLHAs received counselling while medical treatment was given to 51 patients. In addition, we also provided nutritional powder to HIV/AIDS patients and their children. Everyone was invited to attend the Life Skills and HIV/AIDS awareness classes which proved very popular. Only with your ongoing financial support of the work of DAIA, can we continue to conduct this type of Medical Camp THANK YOU!

We are giving our bank account numbers below for easy transfer of money.

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Please pray and support us. Your personal help or introducing to someone will help us to carry on DAIA's work.

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