

# Caleb Catch-up



Some of our fully supported students proudly wear their new uniforms

## An exciting year awaits...

In the year ahead the Foundation plans to develop several suitable sites for multi-use purposes. Once complete they will then enable the communities to achieve a much higher level of self-sufficiency by using their new facilities for education, for various meetings and as a general haven of safety.

Schooling is now a reality for another rural community. We launched a new school in January with 70 students already attending. We expect our target of 100 students will be reached by the end of March.

Growing children, growing appetites. We are working on plans to fund additional rice paddies to boost selfsufficiency for our orphanage boys. The photo above depicts one of our schools in a rural area where 200 of our fully supported students are now wearing their new school uniforms provided through the generosity of our donors. Wearing a uniform to school has great benefits in raising self-esteem and in this very poor area is worn 24/7.

43% of South Asians are 18 years old or under (in Australia it is 24%) so, providing relevance and meaning for these young people is critical. In 2016, the Foundation has employed a person full time to lead our ministry to youth. He will be working in a large urban environment and also be providing support to the boys in the orphanage every week.

#### Supporting young lives

The Caleb Foundation supports our orphanage with 14 boys who are all of school age. The children are cared for by a young Christian married couple who both grew up in an orphanage themselves and have a daughter who is 2 years old. We keep our costs to an absolute minimum while providing pastoral care, food, education, medical needs, accommodation, parenting costs and clothing for each child. In 2016, a sponsorship costs \$750 for one child for the whole year. We are very thankful to supporters for their continued faithful sponsorship of the children. The Australian Government does not provide tax deductibility for specific child support but does give tax-deductible status for the provision of further paddy fields..



Please consider a donation to the Caleb Foundation's orphanage self-sufficiency project. Just simply double click here: <a href="Orphanage self-sufficiency">Orphanage self-sufficiency</a> We value your support of this vital ministry.

God has prepared the way for us and blessed the Caleb Foundation as we now support:-

- Funding and resources for 24 pastors and a youth worker and now over 900 believers.
- The opening of our 8<sup>th</sup> school. Resources for 800+ students and uniforms for those students we fully support. Funding for teachers and materials.
- Our orphanage caring for 14 young boys.
- Funding for a number of new multi-purpose sites and facilities.
- Flood and storm relief, warm blankets for winter, medicines and basic staples.
- Various projects completed including the school bus and security fencing.
- Funding for the first ever Pastors' conference and the annual women's conference.

#### **Reflection and Praise**

- for our new school opened in January
- for our new youth worker's safety in travel as he shares the load
- for God's continued blessing on those who minister
- for safety for the pastors and families
- > for implementation of our future strategic plans



- Children from the King's Kids Sunday School group at South Turramurra raised \$1000 for the Orphanage through providing a fundraising morning tea for their congregation.
- Some generous mid-week study group members have committed to directly supporting individual Pastors.

### At your service....

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