

Project Kalapuwa Sri-Lanka.

March 2017

From February 26th. to March 15th. Paul was back in Sri Lanka to continue the work of our Foundation there.

At the end of January, we sent a 20ft. container to Sri Lanka with a full load of goods such as wheel chairs, camping beds, walking frames, clothing and toys and much more. We are grateful for all the help given by the many people who make this possible; Splash Toys (toy supplier), the Toy Bank in Amersfoort, the Clothing Bank Amersfoort and many others. Together with our partners there Paul organised the further distribution of items needed by a new Crèche, a Day Care centre and an Orphanage and clothes and toys to many children that came to the distribution point. A great success and well worth repeating.



We have been able to make a significant improvement in mobility for some of the elderly people. The Walking Frame (Zimmer Frame) is an unknown commodity in Sri Lanka but this has now changed. Unfortunately, a photo of an elderly but happy parent walking with a frame on the Peninsular was unusable but we will amend this.

Once again, we have been able to help 75 school children with a uniform (absolutely vital for school), books, a satchel and shoes. These are children from families that we have been unable to help with some form of income within the Micro-Credit Project, many broken families with the loss of family members during the Tsunami and where the children have nothing if we do not help them. This aid also encompasses some children from outside the Peninsular who live in extreme and uncompromising circumstances



Our Community Centre (Coconut Bay):

The Community Centre is up and running successfully. This enables 6 families to have a means of support. The hotel, **Coconut Bay Hotel**, is a great success and popular with many tourists wishing to spend a few days in paradise. Booking.com gives the Hotel a 9.1 rating and Nilantha, the manager of the Community Centre, is an excellent host for all the guests. Previously an experienced Tour Guide throughout Sri Lanka, Nilantha also now arranges tours for visitors. Now that the Hotel has established a sound financial base we will be able to start in May with the



organisation of simple meals, twice a week, for the elderly widows and widowers on the Peninsular

Hotelcoconutbay.com for further information. Arrange the holiday dates for your fantastic adventure.

Our continuing plans.

Now that we have, as far as possible, been able to help 146 families on the Peninsular our focus is shifting towards the education of the children. The future for Sri Lanka. We cannot help the whole of Sri Lanka and have therefore decided, within the Foundation, to limit our Micro Credit activities to the Peninsular but retaining the main aim to help as many children as possible with suitable education opportunities. (see attachment)

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